# FARMERS STILL FILING PETITIONS.

Latest Move is to Ask State Board Of Health to Investigate Smoke Belt.

## WILL DEMAND A REUDCED TAX.

Property Owners Declare They Are Forced to Continue the Case Despite Efforts of the Smelters.

The action of the residents of Salt Lake valley is filing a petition signed by 800 men to the board of county commissioners Monday, was followed yesterday afternoon by a second petition aimed against the smelter smoke, and signed by nearly twice as many people as signed the first petition. It was presented to the state board of health, and requests an investigation on its part, under the statutes requiring it to investigate reported unsanitary and unhealthful conditions. The full petition is as follows:

To the State Board of Health:

The undersigned, your petitioners, re-spectfully represent: We are residents, property holders and taxpayers of Salt Lake county and

State of Utah. The smellers located near the center

of the county operated by the American Smeating & itenning company, the Unit-ed States Smeiting company, the Utah Consolidated Mining company, the Bingham Consolidated Mining & Smeiting company, and the Bingham Copper & Gold Mining company, as at present conducted, are injurious to health, offensive to the senses, and not only inerfere with the comfortable enjoyment, but are destructive of both life and property.

They are nuisances injurious to the public health and, in a high degree, det-rimental to the welfare of the people. The gases and fumes sent forth by these smelters in immense and increasing volumes, diffused through the at-mosphere, and finally condensed and de-posited upon the soil and vegetation. are freighted with such poisonous ingredients as arsenic, antimony, suppur loxide, earbon dioxide and other deleterious elements.

The cumulative effect of inhaling the air thus polluted, according to the opin-ion of competent physicians, is productive of sickness, disease and death, Many domestic animals have died from this cause. These smelters are fast causing the desolution of our gardens and fields and rendering our homes un-safe and unfit for habitation,

Our situation has become intolerabla and it is imperatively necessary that these nuisances be abated.

As your honorable body is charged by the law with the duty of making "sanitary investigations and inquiries re-specting the causes of disease including those of domestic animals, the

Peculiar To Itself clothes on, In what it is and what it does-containing the best blood-purifying, alterative and tonic substances and effecting the most radical and permanent cures of all humors and all eruptions, relieving weak, tired,

languid feelings, and building\_up the whole system-is true only of Hood's Sarsaparilla

No other medicine acts like it; no other medicine has done so much real, substantial good, no other medicine has restored health and strength at so little cost.

"I was troubled with scrofuls and came near losing my eyesight. For four months | could not see to do anything. After takin two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I could so to walk, and when I had taken eight bottles could see as well as over." SUSTE A. HAIRS TON, Withers, N. C.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to oure and wheps the promise.

but was unable to locate him. After wandering around the streets for about an hour he decided to go to the health flice to have some one there diagnose his case

He arrived at the health office shortly before 16 o'clock and Sanitary Inspect re-Korth waited upon him and after look-ing at his face and examining him he informed the man that he certainly had the smallpox. , He was instructed to rethe smallpox. He was instructed to re-turn to his home, as he resides outside of the city, and the county physician would be called up and informed of his case. He was told to walk home, so as not to exnose any more people on the street cars. The county physiciat's cf-fice was then notified and the case

passed up to that official. An effort is being made to find out which car Kirkham came in on, so that it could be fumigated. The man cer-It could be furnigated. The man cer-tainly had every opportunity of expes-ing any number of people on the car, and also in his wanderings sround the streets looking for Dr. Mayo and it is not improbable that the health depart-ment will hear of several other cases of the discase scutting form Kinkham's of the disease resulting from Kirkham's actions.

A Guaranteed Cure For Piles. Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in six to fourteen days. 50c.

REMAINS ARRIVE.

### Body of H. J. Faust Brought Here From Los Angeles.

The remains of H. J. Faust arrived here today from Los Angeles, in charge of Joseph William Taylor's Undertaking establishment. The funeral services will be held Saturday at the Fourteenth ward assembly hall, provided James Faust, a son of the deceased, arrives from Deep Creek before that date.

JOHN NICHOLSON ILL.

ordered just such a sult of clothes, and the package was no doubt intended for him. The heedless postmistress let Ames have the suit, dyspepsia tab-lets and all, and he immediately put

In the ordinary course of things, there was an inquiry from the Chica-go consignor, as to the possible or im-possible whereabouts of that package. 'hat indefatigable Sleuth of the postoffice department, Inspector F. C. Sharp, traced the trail of the lost package to Lyman, and found that Mr. Ames was the "proud possessor" of the same. The postmistress was notified to recover the value of the goods from Ames, but was informed that he was a poor man from whom such a collection was likely to be made about the times the cows came home. The postmistress was then informed that it was up to her to settle for dam-ages. However, the Chicago firm said that if the suit of clothes could be recovered, they would not quibble about the dyspepsia tablets, or the ribbon. So Ames was made to give up the suit, which was not much worn, as he had "kept them for best," and the post-mistress escaped having to pay the bill.

HIRAM E. BOOTH.

Admitted to Practise in United States Supreme Court.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, DI C., Dec. 14-Upon motion of Waldemar Van Cott, Hiram E.

Both was today admitted to practise in the supreme court of the United States. TIMBER AND STONE ACT.

Bill to Repeal it Killed by Action of House Committee.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, Dec. 14 .- House committee on public lands by vote of 19 to 4 decided

adefinitely to postpone the bill to repeal the timber and stone act. The bill passed the senate last session, but the action of the house committee kills it.

#### HEADACHES FROM COLDS

Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. To get the genuine call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

## BUSINESS NOTES.

Today's local bank clearings amount-ed to \$672,372.05, as against \$529,603.72 for the same day of last year.

The \$25,000 capital stock of the proposed new bank at Garland has all been subscribed for, and Mr. W. W. Writer will call a meeting early next month to organize, and decide on a name. The bank will have to build its own home, as there is at present no ac-commodations there for it,

NEW TRIAL FOR O. S. L.

Condemnation of Right-of-Way Case to Come Up Again.

Judge Stewart today granted the motion of plaintiff for a new trial in the case of the Oregon Short Line railroad company against John Halling, Effe Halling, E. C. Farrell, Joseph Turner and Henry Turner, and set aside the judgment rendered in the case on Sept. 28, 1904. The action was brought to condemn a right of way over property belonging to defendants. The jury as-



The consolidation of the 36 school districts of the county outside the city into only two districts will again be considered by the board of county commissioners at the meeting late this afternoon. For many months past the consolidation has been agitated and considered not only by County Supt. of Schools Ashton and the commissioners, but also by the residents of the county districts in mass meetings.

When the matter was first considered by Supt. Ashton and the commissioners it was the intention to consolidate in-to eight districts. This plan met with some opposition from the trustees who stated that if there was going to be a consolidation they would rather have only two districts. The commissioners and the superintendent then com-menced to consider the two-district plan and have communicated with and se-

cured expressions from nearly all of the trustees on that plan, Under the proposed plan the county will be divided in to a northern and southern district, the dividing line passing east and west near Murray. The northern district will take in the Highland Boy smelter and the American Smelting and Refining company's plant and the southern district will take the smelters at Bingham' Junction and other valuable property at Bingham canyon.

One district will be known as the Granite school district and will be composed of Districts 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 46, 47, 48, 50, 53, 55, 59 and 64. The other district

will be known as Jordan school dis-trict and will include Districts 21, 32, 27, 34, 35, 41, 42, 43, 44, 47, 61, 66 and It is claimed by the consolidation the

tax for school purposes can be more eqlitably distributed, and that it will also be more favorable for the establishment of high schools. It is pro-posed to make the consolidation and then petition the coming Legislature to change the law so as create county districts of the first class which shall be on the same basis as school dis-tricts in cltics of the second class. There will be only six trustees if the plan is adopted, three for each district. It is believed that the commissioners will adopt the proposed plan as it is known that two of them are in favor of it, namely, Chairman Anderson and Commissioner Wilson. Com-missioner Standish is opposed to it for the simple reason that he thinks the Legislature should act on the matter first. He contends that there is no telling what law the Legislature may pass in regard to the matter and the commissioners might have to rescind their action entirely if the matter is put through now.

#### Duty on Philippine Products.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Senator Fora-ker gave fiotice in the senate that he would not press his amendment reduc-ing the duty on Philippine products coming into the United States, This was done because of compilant that the done because of complaint that the amendment took unfair advantage of senators who supposed only the govern-ment bill was to be voted upon when an agreement was made to take a

## LATE LOCALS.

The governor elect is at Logan looking over the plant of the Agricultural college and experimental station, Traffic Manager T. M. Schumacher of the Oregon Short Line will return from

trip to Butte in the morning. The Home Fire Insurance company settled today, the \$400 loss by fire which destroyed the house of Oscar Pearson.

County Commissioner James H. An-derson leaves this week for Washington, expecting to be absent for the remainder of the winter,

The grand march at tonight's third annual ball of the Knutsford hotel waiters will begin at 9:30 o'clock, and a big attendance is promised.

Clerk Judd of the board of education inonunces that the warrants for the salaries due the judges of the recent school election are now ready for payment

Work in the office of the surveyor general is being caught up with so rapidly that a marked reduction of the office force will be in order after the first of the year.

The Independent Telephone company is pushing its extensions in the direc-tion of Bingham, Provo and Park City, The first mentioned place will be reached in three weeks, and the other two in the spring.

Judge Hall today rendered a decree in favor of plaintiff in the case of Henry C. Hoffman against Heber Young and about 50 of the heirs of Brigham Young, deceased, quieting plaintiff's title to lot block 20, Fve-acre plat A, Big Field BULVON.

The telephone conections north of Bolse have been extended to Pine Grove, o the big Franklin mine owned by Larson & Greenough of Spokane. The Bell company is also building toward the Black Warrior mining district, near Mountain Home

The street railway management has relaid the curves and switches at Ninth East and Tenth South streets with heavy steel. This with the re-alignment will prove a great convenience and sav-ing. The system throughout the city ing. is now in very good shape for winter travel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Riter will give a reception Saturday evening next to the state board of regents and the pres-ident and faculty of the University, at Mr. Riter's residence; the idea of the function being to become more person-ally acquainted and advance local educational interests.

Members of the local militia infantry ompanies say that last evening's inspection was one of the most thorough they had over had. The inspection was followed by a ball game between D and H companies. There were so many runs, that a D company man save they have not been abls to figure them all up yet.

Judgment in favor of plaintiff was rendered today by Judge Stewart in the case of the Symns-Utah Grocer com-pany against F. J. McLaughlin et al for the sum of \$2,133.40 with interest from Sept. 1, 1893. The action was brought to renew a judgment rendered in the district court in favor of plaintiff and against defendants on the date mentioned above,

An inquiry comes from Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, seeking to learn the whereabouts of Alfred King. who was residing in Salt Lake when last heard of by his nephew, John King, and his family, residents of Sydney. The inquirers wish information to be mailed to No. 8, Toogood street, Er-skineville, Sydney, New South Wales, care of Mrs. Fanny King.



## H. DINWOODEY FURNITURE CO.



sanitary condition and effects of locallties, employments and circumstances in the public health," we respect-fully request that you take such action in regard to these smelters with public a view to their abatement as noisances and that the public health and safety may be protected.

#### COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

O. P. Miller of the citizena' committee was seen today in regard to the attitude and future intentions of organized farmers and property holders in the smoke belt.

In answer to the question: "What will your committee do now in view of the fact that it is apparent that the smelters are working on the problem and intend to affect its solution, if possible," he said: "As far as the com-mittee is concerned there is only one thing to do, and that is to take the matter to the courts and let them de-cide what is to be done, and see if the smelters shall continue to ruin our homes without redress. Sait Lake county has been enveloped in a dense cloud of smoke for the past six weeks, and the volume of fumes that has been thrown out by these plants is simply appalling. If this condition continues to exist our trees will look like dried mullet stalks and the valley will be bare of vegetation. Real estate and the city's prosperity is bound to sulfer, as well as that of our country farms.

"It is a grave and a serious question, as anyone can leavn by spending a few days on the farms in the vicinity of the plants. Men of limited means whose horses drop down in the harness, and whose cattle die in the pas-tures, cannot carry their protest to the courts, and so must suffer their losses. "It is a problem in which the State board of health should interest itself, for the health of the people in this smoke belt in jeapordy, and the state law should be brought to bear on these conditions that are dangerous to life and health

#### WANT TAXES REDUCED.

"Another thing we must do, as a com-Another thing we must do, as a com-mittee is to ask for a heavy reduction in assessments for taxes on land where the crops were ruined this year by the smoke. This year many farms brought a yield of almost nothing, and to force out of these land holders the payment of the usual tax would force them to-vacate their homes in many cases he vacate their homes in many cases, besides being eminently unjust to them.

"Yes, sir, we are going to continue this matter. We have got to continue it, and we propose to ask that the court order the smelters to close until such time as they can open with the prob-lem solved and their poisoned fumes so controlled that they do not lay waste the homes of the inhabitants throughthe homes of the inhabitants through-out the country. There are only three possibilities ahead. One is to control the smoke, the other is to close the smelters, and the last is to chendon the homes of the miles of acreage ly-ing within the affected district, and turn the country over to the smelters intact

"Which alternative it will be, we pro-pose to let the courts decide, and we are going ahead, realizing that if we cannot accomplish one of the first two, we must accept the third."

## HOW DISEASE SPREADS.

## Reuben Kirkham, Suffering from Smallpox, Takes In the City.

Another smallpox patient surprised the employes of the city health department this morning by walking into the office and inquiring whether or not he was afflicted with the disease. The man's name is Reuben Kirkham, and he resides at 2538 south Seventh East He has been employed at the Rio Grande shops and was at work yes-terday and wanted to work today, but his brother-in-law induced him to lay off and come into the city to find out whether or not he really had the dis-

Rirkham came to the city early this morning on a Calder's Park car and tried to find County Physician Mayo,

Could Not Appear to Give Testimony In Smoot Case.

John Nicholson is ill in Washington, and could not appear to give his testimony when called for by the senate committee. While this fact has given rise to a local impression in certain quarters that he remained away at the advice of his attorney, the fact is that for some time previous to his departure for Washington Mr. Nicholson was in poor health, and a break down was feared by his friends here when he left at the summons of the committee. No word has been received today as to Mr. Nicholson's condition and it is feared that his illness may be of a serious nature. 

## SUIT WENT ASTRAY.

#### Story of Good Work Done by P. O. Inspector Sharp.

An interesting story is told in local postoffice circles of how a package went astray in this state, was afterward traced up and recovered; and illustrates incidentally how easy mistakes are made, "even among the best regulated families." A package containing a suit of cor-

duroy clothes, a bunch of dyspepsia tablets and a roll of ribbon, was re-cently mailed in the ordinary way from a Chicago house to John Lynn of Lynn, Weber county, Utab. Through carelessness in routing, the package landed finally at Lyman, Wayne county, Utab. There was no such per-son "known to the oldest residenter" in Lyman; and the postmistress was 'up a stump" to know what to do. As it happened, there was a local citizen named Ames who said that he had



damages sustained by fendants because of such condemnation at \$1,400. Plaintiff moved for a new trial on the grounds of excessive dam-ages and insufficiency of the evidence

to warrant such a verdict. The motion was granted and a new trial will be had of the case. Suit for Divorce.

Winnie Edwards filed suit for divorce in the district court today against Lee R. Edwards on the ground of failure to support. They were married Sept. 29, 1900, in this city. Plaintiff asks that her maiden name, Winnie McFarlane, be restored to her.

## TODAY'S REALTY TRANSFERS

Edward T Harding and wife to Edwin J. Butterfield, part sec-tion 34, township 3 south, range 900

lot 18, Miller & Miller subdivision Matthew H. Walker and wife to George Williams, part of fot 6, block 41, plat A ..... William C. Hall and wife to Ohio William C. Hall and wife to Onio Copper company, the Albiana lode et al, west Mountain ..... Edith F. R. Driggs et al to W. F. Heal, lots 3, 4, 12 and east half lot 13, block 1, University addi-500 tion ...... 1,100

#### MAJ. E. E. HARDIN.

He is to be Court-Martialed for Neglect of Duty. Manila, Dec. 14.-Maj. Edward E. Hardin of the Seventh Infantry is about to be court-martialed on charges of neglect in not having a sufficient guard

at Malate prison, from which 33 native prisoners escaped recently after killing three soldiers on guard.

vote on the 16th instant.

Admission free of duty of all articles which are the product and growth of the Philippine islands except tobacco and sugar, is provided for in an amendment proposed today by Senator Fora-ker to the act providing for the admin-istration of the affairs of the civil gov-ernment of the Philippine islands now before the senate. The proposed amendmenut fixes the duty on sugar and to-bacco at only 25 per cent of the Ding-ley rates. It is provided also that all duties shall be paid into the treasury of the Philippine government to be expended for the benefit of the islands. The present duty is 75 per cent of the Dingley rates.

#### Ex. Mayor Ames a Free Man.

Minneapolis, Dec. 14 .- Dr. A. A. Ames. former mayor of Minneapolis, is now a free man. Judge Elliott of the district bench today granted the motion of Special County Attorney Kerr that all the indictments for bribery and cor-ruption against the much-tried mayor be dismissed.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Record at the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 6 a. m. today:

Barometer reading at 6 a. m., 25,799 inches; temperature at 6 a. m., 32 degrees; maximum, 35; minimum, 26; mean, 32, which is 2 degrees below normal. Deficiency of the daily mean tempera-ture since the first of the month, 8 de-

grees. Excess of daily mean temperature since Jan. 1. 133 degrees. Total precipitation for the 24 hours end-ing at 6 a. m., 28 inch. Total precipitation since the first of the month. S inch, which is .44 inch below the normal.

Exces in precipitation since Jan. 1, 30

FORECASTS TILL 6 P. M. THURSDAY. Local forecasts for Salt Lake City and leinity

Partly cloudy with possibly snow flurries tonight of Thursday. For Utan-Forecast taken at Denver, Colo.:

Generally fair tonight and Thursday colder south portion tonight.

Western Wyoming: Generally fair tonight and Thursday. WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The barometer is highest over the Cen-tral Pacific coast, middle plateau region upper Mississippi valley and lake region and lowest over the north Pacific coast Rocky mountain slope and central Gul

Rocky mountain slope and central Gulf. coast. Precipitation occurred over portions of maarly all districts, save the southern pla-teau and southern Rocky mountain slope, and south Pacific states. It was raining this morning over portions of Washing-ton, Oregon, Florida and British Colum-bla; and snowing over portions of Nebras-ka, Arkansas, Michigan, Illinols, Pennsyl-vania and New York. The temperature was lowest over the northern Rocky mountain slope, central west and northwest, Missouri and upper Meissippi and Ohio valleys, lake region and north Atlantic states, with tempera-tures below zero in Vermont. R. J. HYATT, Local Forecaster.

## TODAY'S TEMPERATU RE-

YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

Highest ..... 38 Lowest ..... 26



The American Institute of Bank clerks, Salt Lake Chapter, unjoyed a treat the other evening, when Agent John Walker of the Secret Service at Denver, lectured before the Institute on "Counterfeiting." The bank clerks present learned a great deal of this topic from Mr. Walker who is one of the best posted specialists in the department, and congratulate themselves n being able to secure this lecture from him.

State Supt. of Schools Nelson is receiving encouraging reports from the county superintendents of schools of the state on the outlook for the State Teachers' association which meets here in January. The superintendents are enrolling the names of teachers who will attend and already several lists have been sent to Supt. Nelson which show that much interest is being taken in the association and insures a large attendance of teachers from all parts of the state. There is some speculation in local

military circles as to whether the mili-tary duck hunt of yesterday, was a detail under general or special orders from department headquarters, and whether "this travel is necessary for the public service." The detail of offi-cers scored 125 ducks, Capt. Ely registering 30 alone, and the quartermaster "kindly furnished" orderlies to hold the game, while the marksmen sloshed around in the swamps in rubber boots reaching to their ears.

The uncertain condition of east South Temple street is causing great incon-venience and some danger to heavy teams that have to deliver goods on the north side of the street. A heavy wagon from the People's Forwarding company had to deliver a consignment at the northeast corner of A and South Temple streets the other day, and to Temple streets the other day; and to reach the locality it was necessary to drive up First Street hill, and then descend the very heavy and rocky grade of A street southwards. The result was the overturning of the outfit. horses and all, and the breaking of the wagon. It is said the company will sue the city for damages,

#### WARD ENTERTAINMENTS.

Thirteenth Ward-A select concert will be given in the Thirteenth ward chapel tomorrow night, when a program of unusual excellence will be carried out. Among those participating will be Profs, H. S. Goddard and Geo. Careless, while there will be banjo se-lections by Harry Harper and solos by Miss Lottie Owen and Thomas Ashworth.

Fifth Ward-The laughable three-act comedy, "A Family Affair," will be given in the Fifth ward amusement hall Thursday and Friday nights, preceded by a musical program by well known local talent. The entertainment is for the benefit of the Sunday school and an enjoyable time is assured all who attend.

## DAILY GRAIN LETTER.

Messrs, Logan-Bryan of Chicago telegraph their local correspondents, James A. Pollock & Co., over their private wire, on the grain and provision situa.

tion, as follows: Chicago, Dec. 14.-Wheat-The rally in the market today and strong closing was only natural to expect from an over sold market. Wheat had been under pressure for four days and while the decline is not serious it was large enough to shake out many weak accounts and invite short selling. The general situation in the market remains unchanged and it is fair to assume wheat bought on the breaks will be for sale at a higher level. Trade is narrow and mostly professional and easily gets over bought or over sold. Sentiment of trade generally is still very bearish.

Corn-Liquidation in the Decembe option was the feature of the market again today. The rally at the close came from short covering. The general impression in the trade is that in ad-dition to the contract stuff received the dryers would be in a position to make free deliveries before the option ex-pires. The May option held very firm

ul through the session. Which would indicate some changing from December to May. Trade continues slow and large-

y of a scalping nature. Oats-No doubt the strength in other plts contributed somewhat to the firm market. We see very little at the moment to change existing conditions in

this pit. Provisions-Conditions remain unchanged and we doubt very much if any material improvement can be maintained until the packers change front.

## AFTERNOON ON 'CHANGE.

Sales on the stock exchange this fternoon were as follows: Tetro, 509 at 19; 1,000 at 19%; 3,000

at 1916. Wabash, 200 at 86; 100 at 94; 100 at 9216, seller 60. Yankee Con., 500 at 381/2.

NEW YORK CLOSING STOCKS

Wednesday, Dec. H.

Denver & Rio Grande ... Denver & Rio Grande pid Erle Illinois Central Louisville & Nashville Manhattan L Metropolitan St. Ry Mexican Central Missouri Pacific New York Central Pennsylvania Reading ck Island ..... ck Island pfd ..... St. Paul ....... Seuthern Pacific Southern Railway Union Pacific Inton Pacific nion Pacific ..... Wisconsin Central ....

MISCELLANEOUS.

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