PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION.

The Deep Creek Miners Form an Organization of Defense.

Having failed in prevailing upon the Territorial Legislature to create a new county, the Deep Creek miners have formed a protective association, the purposes of which are set forth below:

DEEP CREEK MINERS' PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, The country lying adjacent thereto in the Deep Creek country, is remote from the seat of government, and the nearest place of law and justice and the machinery of the law, and

WHEREAS, Serious disturbances are in progress and concerning existing rights in said country,

NOW, the undersigned, miners and others interested in said country, for the purpose of mining claims in said country, and for a protection to property and persons in said Deep Creek country, in western Utah and eastern Nevada, do hereby associate themselves together for the purpose and the rules hereinafter named, and for the terms, conditions and agreements herein set forth, all which are agreed and assented to by those and by all who may hereafter in any time become members of this association by signing these articles of agreement thereto, viz:

ARTICLES.

1—The objects and purposes of this association shall be to encourage and foster the mining industry and to aid the rightful development of mines and other resources in said country, and to protect the property and persons in said country, and generally to maintain order and peaceably to adjudicate and hold fair mining claims in said country, and to protect the same against jumping, forfeiture or abandonment, or interrupted, to investigate and settle, into the true legal status of controversies arising between bona fide claim owners and other claimants of mining property in said country, and if necessary and if deemed by the majority of those owners and areas in the settlement of such by amicable litigation or otherwise.

2—Government. This association shall be managed, governed and controlled by an executive committee in charge of a secretary to be chosen by the mining district in said country, and committees to be selected annually by a majority of a board of delegates, which board shall be composed of one member from each mining district, who shall be elected by the members of the owners, in the mining district, the meeting in the districts of said delegates to be held on the first Monday of October in each year, every year after the current year at the office of the recorder of the mining district.

The first annual meeting of said delegates for the purpose of said association shall be held on the second Monday in October, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of Deseret Trade society, Ophir, and all future annual meetings of delegates shall be held on the second Monday in each year thereafter at the same place.

3—Committee and officers.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

shall consist of one representative from each of the following districts: Spring Creek, Fish Springs, Ophir, Gold Hill, Johnson's Pass, Willow springs and Ibex. Four at large. The officers shall be president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The officers of the association shall be members of the executive committee.

DUTIES AND POWERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

4—The executive committee shall perform and exercise those members of the association in which mining claims are situated and power to pass upon applications for membership in the association, and shall decide, and their verdict upon such applications shall be final, be against or accordingly in the association, upon the signing and agreeing to the articles of agreement, and shall have power to call special meetings of the members of the association at any time upon notice to the members and by the secretary to their last known post-office address. It may in any case with demand and written from each member of the association an assessment not exceed $5 for the purpose of meeting any expense within the scope and objects of the association which cannot be met or defrayed by the current revenue arising from dues. It shall have power to make, alter and repeal all bye-laws necessary for the government of the association. It shall have power to call special meetings at any time upon notice sent by the secretary to the members of the association to their last known post-office address, and shall require quarterly meetings on the first Monday in each month in October, September, December and March. It shall have power to investigate and examine into any and all disputes and trouble which may hereafter arise between the members or between members and other persons, and if upon such investigation it was proven, some one of the members whose property is involved is responsible or responsible for the difficulty, it shall be the duty of the executive committee to expel such member from the association