

prevent the collection of the notes. Whitney, who is now located in Chicago, will probably be prosecuted.

#### NEGOTIATING A PURCHASE.

LANDER, July 3.—A representative of the famous Comstock company of Virginia City, Nevada, has been at Atlantic City for several days inspecting the Duncan mine. The Comstock company has an option on this property, and if the report of their representative is favorable the deal will be closed at \$30,000.

#### TINTIC "MINER" ITEMS.

The Utah Milling company was closed by attachments, aggregating \$2500, this week.

Joe Pettigrew has returned from Death canyon, where he located some good mineral ground and did considerable improvement work. He thinks that section a very rich one.

Mike Hendrickson, a miner employed by the Centennial-Eureka, had the misfortune to break his left leg last Saturday afternoon. He was standing upon a scaffold when a large stone fell and broke the board he was standing on, causing him to fall a distance of thirty feet and alight on some rock. He was taken to St. Mark's hospital in the city Sunday morning.

Rumors concerning the Miners' union were thick this week. Some of them were to the effect that the funds of the society had been stolen and the books made away with. No one could be found who knew anything about it or would give any information, but it is evident there is trouble within that organization, and its early demise, if it has not already occurred, is looked for. Many of its former members express the opinion that it would have been better for the town had the union never existed.

#### NOTES.

The Tip-Top mine at Stockton has been sold to Gen. Wm. H. Penrose by J. P. Mitchener.

The marked increase in the amount of bank clearings today, being nearly double that on several days last week, is a most satisfactory indication for the financial situation.

#### COUNTY COURT MATTERS.

It was nearly three o'clock on Saturday afternoon when the county court settled down to business, the meeting having been called mainly for the purpose of considering the question of the fixing of county officers' salaries for the year 1893. The salaries paid for last year were: assessor, \$8000; collector, \$7250; county clerk, \$3500; sheriff, \$3000; treasurer, \$1000; game commissioner, \$500; county attorney, \$2500.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read, however, Judge Blair suggested that the salary matter be postponed for the present, and this was agreed to.

Assistant Pratemaster McBride attended the meeting and said he wished to know what the county intended doing in relation to a purchase of 50,000 stamped envelopes for the assessor which the office had ordered. The amount of the bill is \$1100; and Mr. McBride stated that they would

either have to have the cash or return the envelopes.

After discussion a resolution was adopted appointing Selectman Cahoon a committee to negotiate a loan in the amount needed.

On motion of Cahoon Albert Glover was appointed constable for West Jordan precinct.

#### SCHOOL LAND LEASES.

A communication was read from the county clerk of Utah county stating that the following resolution in relation to the leasing of school lands had been adopted by the county court of the county aforesaid:

Whereas, The Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah did on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1892, pass an act authorizing and requiring the respective county courts of the respective counties of the Territory to lease the school lands within their several counties and to perform certain other acts in relation thereto; and

Whereas, In pursuance of the provisions of said law, the county court of Utah county did in good faith proceed to lease to the residents of this county the school lands within the county, realizing therefrom a large sum of money, which has been duly paid to the Territorial treasurer and added to the Territorial school fund and thereby augmenting the same; and

Whereas, We are informed, and verily believe such information to be true, that all the county courts of Utah Territory except Utah and Sanpete counties have wilfully and unlawfully and in violation of their respective duties officially neglected and refused to take the necessary steps in carrying out the provisions of said law, either in leasing the school lands within their counties, or to collect or recover damages for the profits thereof, thereby wilfully and unlawfully depriving the Territorial school fund of a large source of revenue and thereby unjustly compelling the people of the counties having in good faith complied with said law, therefore be it

Resolved by the county court of Utah county that the county attorney be, and he is hereby authorized and required to take such steps, and institute such legal proceedings as shall compel the several delinquent county courts of this Territory, to contribute to said Territorial school fund, their just and legal proportion of revenue derived or which could and legally ought to be derived from a compliance with the provisions of said act. That we invite the co-operation of Sanpete and such other counties in this Territory as may have complied with the provisions of said act in the furtherance of the objects of this resolution, and that justice may be done in the premises.

Adopted by the county court of Utah county, June 26, 1893.

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The bond of Whitney & Spenser for liquor license at Sandy was approved.

C. H. Banks asked for relief from a tax sale. Referred to the county attorney.

The State Bank of Utah presented an order from L. G. Hardy asking the clerk to pay them the sum of \$1,812.50, due Hardy for services, when the amount has been appropriated.

Charles Handly, watermaster of the Kennedy ditch, called attention to the bad condition of a bridge on Twelfth South street, near the Penitentiary on the Kennedy ditch, which is in bad repair and is so low that it obstructs the flow of the water. The clerk was

instructed to notify Mr. Handly to do the work himself and charge it to his own company.

The sheriff was authorized by resolution to appoint two special peace officers at Murray, two at Sandy and four at Bingham to serve on July 3rd, 4th and 5th.

#### PROVO ITEMS.

It was an interested congregation that was in attendance at the Latter-day-Saints meeting house yesterday and listened to the sermon by Elder J. M. Tanner. Before returning home from Harvard, Elder Tanner took a bicycle tour through Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. The most striking features of his observations were the public libraries which were in all towns exceeding one or two thousand in population, and the absence of saloons as a result of local option. This state of affairs was contrasted with the situation in Utah in a most striking manner. "Shame," said the speaker in referring to the revenue argument in favor of saloons, "on your revenue, and shame on a people who will barter the souls of their sons and daughters for revenue. Can you consistently ask God to relieve you from your financial distress as long as you permit saloons to exist in your midst? I never saw people so much in want of revenue in my life. What, want revenue when you have these high licensed saloons in your midst! There is no want of revenue in New England. You lay it to the boom; the Democrats lay it to the Republicans, and the Republicans lay it to the Democrats, and some lay it to the gold bugs, but I have not heard a man say, it is a just retribution of God on a people who will barter the souls of their sons and daughters for revenue. God has been kind to Provo; may he smite it again, and may he continue to smite it as long as the people shall value revenue higher than the souls of their sons and daughters." The speaker further stated that he had seen five men the evening previous on the street under the influence of liquor; while in Cambridge, a city of 80,000 inhabitants, he had not seen so many in six months.

Attachment proceedings have been commenced by Lizzie McCarty of Sanpete against Stephen L. Voorhees to gain possession of 1799 head of sheep and \$719.80 for use of the sheep since last October. The complaint alleges that the sheep were sold to Voorhees last October to be paid for the coming October, and plaintiff has reason to believe and does believe that Voorhees is contemplating the disposal of his property with intent to defraud plaintiff.

Decrees of foreclosure of mortgage were made as follows: Deeset Savings Bank v. Samuel Jepperson, administrator of the estate of Benjamin G. Pearce, deceased, late resident of Richfield, for \$2,283.16 and \$170 attorney fees. First National Bank of Provo vs James Thomson et al, for \$2,972.32, attorney fee \$297.23.

In the mining suit of J. F. Brim et al vs James Chipman et al, the application for an order enjoining defendants from working the claim was denied.