

CORNER STONE OF ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL LAID.

A large throng of people attended the services connected with the laying of the corner stone of St. Mark's new hospital opposite the Warm Springs, last evening at 7 o'clock. Bishop Leonard conducted the exercises. After the reading the ritual of the church for such occasions, had been observed and the "Christian Soldier" had been sung Rector Norris read the list of articles deposited in the casket in the receptacle in the corner stone. It was as follows:

LIST OF CONTENTS.

History of the Hospital.
Names of all former trustees.
Names of present officers and trustees.
Names of medical staff.
Names of architects, contractors and superintendent and building committee.
Photographs of trustees and staff.
Photographs of deceased members of the board—Captain Lawrence, Dr. Hamilton, Rev. N. F. Putnam.
Photo of Bishop Tuttle, a former president.
Photo of the former and present patron.
Copies of the *DESERET NEWS* and *Salt Lake Times* of July 30, 1892.
Copies of the daily *Tribune* and *Herald* of July 31, 1892.
Copy of the Bible, Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal.
Order of services used on this occasion.
Copy of the *Churchman* for July 23rd, *Standard*, July 23rd, *Living Church*, July 16, 1892, the *Church Notes* for July, 1892, and the Fourth Annual Report of the Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah.

THE STONE LAID.

The box containing the above articles was then placed in the 104 inch cubical space cut for it, and the 2300 pounds of stone swung into position and dropped down over the box. On the stone is cut "St. Mark's Hospital, 1892."

The Bishop then officially laid the stone.

HISTORY OF THE HOSPITAL.

Ex-Mayor Scott then read the following historical paper:

The history of St. Mark's Hospital is briefly told. Its origin dates back some twenty years. After a dinner party given at the residence of Bishop Tuttle, the importance and necessity of such an institution was discussed by Major E. Wilkes, the Rev. R. M. Kirby and Dr. J. F. Hamilton. At that time, although an important industry, silver mining was in its infancy in this Territory. Major Wilkes was employing quite a large force of men, however, in the Miller mine, and the Emma was a noted mine in the Territory. Major Wilkes had noticed the evil effects of lead upon men while engaged in the production of silver bullion, and was anxious that something should be done for their relief. Accordingly it was resolved to make the beginning of a hospital. A building was rented on Fifth East near Fourth South, and one or two beds were provided, and these were soon increased to twenty.

Among the early friends of the hospital, besides those already mentioned, was Mr. Warren Hussey, who was always ready and willing to aid this or other deserving public enterprises with his means and counsel.

As all the gentlemen concerned in the inauguration of the enterprise were

connected with St. Mark's Parish, the hospital naturally took the name of St. Mark. The management of the institution was put in the hands of the Rev. R. M. Kirby, and to his interest and effort a very large share of the success of the enterprise must be attributed.

The hospital passed through many vicissitudes during the first seven years of its life; it had a doubtful sort of hold upon life during these years, as is usually the case with such enterprises, but friends were determined that it should succeed and stood by it bravely in all its trials.

The Rev. Mr. Prout and his estimable wife came very early in its history to the internal management of its affairs, and Mrs. Prout remained in charge as matron until the summer of 1891, looking after the comfort of its inmates with a mother's disinterested love.

In 1879 the time seemed favorable for the purchase of a permanent home, and the present location, at the corner of Fifth East and Third South, was secured through the generosity of friends and certain mining companies. On June 14th of this year an incorporation was effected, the first stockholders and trustees being R. M. Kirkby, secretary and treasurer; M. E. Holden, president; D. S. Tuttle, R. C. Chambers, W. G. Gallagher, George R. Ayers and George A. Lowe. Of this number R. C. Chambers and George A. Lowe have been trustees from the date of incorporation to the present moment, and are still deeply interested in all of its affairs.

Thus organized, the hospital began its work as a corporation.

Dr. J. F. Hamilton, from the time of the inception of the hospital to the day of his death, was the medical director. His interest in it was constant. It seemed like a child to him, and much of his time and thought were given to its care. It was certainly right and proper that the trustees should resolve, at a recent meeting, to make the first general ward which shall be erected here a memorial to him, and it is hoped that his many friends in this Territory will be glad to show their appreciation of him by contributing generously to the erection of the proposed ward.

In all the years of the hospital's life the trustees have been very few. In addition to the names of those already mentioned are found those of Joab Lawrence, F. W. Billings, C. M. Armstrong, H. C. Hill, H. C. Wallace, R. H. Terhune, Abiel Leonard, N. F. Putnam, F. W. Norris and George M. Scott.

After Mr. Kirby's resignation, which was deeply regretted by the entire board, all of whom felt that he was a man to whom much was due on account of his exceeding wise management, the Rev. C. M. Armstrong was chosen as superintendent and treasurer. Mr. Armstrong continued in this position until 1889, when, by reason of ill health, he was compelled to remove from the Territory.

At the annual meeting held June 3, 1889, the Rev. N. F. Putnam was chosen secretary and treasurer. Mr. Putnam threw his whole energy into the work of the hospital and very speedily brought it to the point of the greatest usefulness and success. His

administration of the affairs of the hospital cannot be too warmly commended. At the annual meeting of the stockholders held in 1890 a most excellent financial showing was made, to the great delight of the stockholders, who at once passed a resolution thanking Mr. Putnam in the warmest way possible for his admirable management. Mr. Putnam died in 1891. In his death the hospital sustained a great loss. He had not only given his time and attention to its affairs, but had thought and planned for its enlargement, and the fact that we are engaged in the erection of this building is due in large part to his foresight and excellent financial management. He and Bishop Leonard arranged for the purchase of these lots in this splendid situation in the summer of 1890, but it was not permitted him to see the realization of his desire in the erection of this building.

In June, 1891, the Rev. F. W. Norris was elected secretary and treasurer. His management, also, of the affairs of the hospital has been the most admirable. To him the institution is indebted for continued good management.

In the early part of the present year the matter of the erection of a new building was discussed and plans therefor were prepared by Messrs. Thompson and Welgel, and at a meeting of the board held on June 6, 1892, the bid of T. K. Lloyd and Burton, Gardner & Company for the erection of the building was accepted and work ordered to begin. F. H. Perkins was chosen as superintendent of the work.

The hospital owes a great debt of gratitude to the mining companies of Utah, whose managers have always been staunch friends. Without their aid it would have been impossible to carry on the work. In years to come the trustees hope to be in a position to care for the miners in their new building in a much more acceptable manner than has hitherto been possible.

This account of the origin and progress of the work in St. Mark's Hospital brings us down to this moment, where we are met under the protection of Almighty God to lay the corner-stone of a building which, we trust, may be merely one of a group of buildings, in which men's bodies may be cared for by competent medical skill, and where prayer shall ascend to God for His blessing upon the remedies employed.

We bespeak for the institution the interest, the sympathy and the aid of those who shall see these walls rise. As the years go on may the number of those who shall share in its blessings increase, and may such excellent results in the medical treatment be secured, and may there be such a host of friends and such financial aid given that the benefits therein received may be accorded to all who need without money and without price.

R. H. TERHUNE

delivered an appropriate speech, after which a paper from Dr. Standard was read. Rector Norris and Bishop Leonard also spoke and the ceremonies ended.

SIZE AND CAPACITY OF THE STRUCTURE.

The hospital is being erected on a commanding site near the Warm Springs.