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[The following Bills were introduced by Hon. W. H. Hooper in the House of Representatives, on December 2d, 1867. They were read twice, and then were referred to the appropriate committees, and ordered to be printed.]

## A BILL

### FOR THE ADMISSION OF DESERET INTO THE UNION.

Whereas the people of the Territory of Utah did by their representatives form for themselves a constitution and State government, republican in form, which was ratified by the people of said Territory at an election held for that purpose in pursuance of law, on the fourth day of February, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-seven; and whereas the legislative assembly of the proposed State of Deseret did petition as follows:

*To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:*

GENTLEMEN: We, your memorialists, the members of the general assembly of the State of Deseret, respectfully state that our peculiarly isolated position, the well-proven inadequacy of a territorial organization to meet the wants of a numerous and rapidly increasing population, a disposition to lessen governmental expenditures, and an earnest desire to enjoy those inherent, inalienable and constitutional rights guaranteed to every American citizen, have induced the citizens of Utah to unanimously and constitutionally organize a State government, preparatory to their admission into the Union as the State of Deseret: Wherefore your memorialists most respectfully solicit your honorable body to favorably consider this, our petition, and, at as early a day as other important duties will permit, take action admitting the State of Deseret into the Union, on an equal footing with the original States. And, as in duty bound, your memorialists will ever pray.

Adopted January 22, 1867.

GEORGE A. SMITH,

President of the Senate.

JOHN TAYLOR,

Speaker of the House of

Representatives.

PATRICK LYNCH,

Secretary of the Senate.

ROBERT L. CAMPBELL,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the State of Deseret shall be, and is hereby, declared to be one of the United States of America, and admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States in all respects whatever. And the said State shall consist of all the territory included within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning on the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude, where it intersects the thirty-second meridian of longitude west from Washington, or the one hundred and ninth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich; thence west on said parallel to the thirty-seventh meridian of longitude west from Washington, or the one hundred and fourteenth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich; thence north on said meridian to its intersection with the forty-second parallel of north latitude; thence east on said parallel to the thirty-second meridian of longitude west from Washington, or the one hundred and ninth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich; thence south on said meridian to the place of beginning.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That until the next apportionment of representatives, the State of Deseret shall be entitled to one representative in the House of Representatives of the United States.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the said State of Deseret shall be entitled to the same per centum on the sale of public lands, the same land grants for the support of schools, for internal improvements, for a university, to provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, for salt springs, for State buildings, and for other public purposes which have been,

or which may be, granted to the State of Nevada.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the people of Deseret shall provide by an ordinance, irrevocable without the consent of the United States, that said State shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the soil within the same by the United States, or with any regulations Congress may find necessary for securing the title in said soil to bona fide purchasers thereof. And that said State shall never tax the lands or the property of the United States in said State.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the admission of the State of Deseret, as hereinbefore provided, all the laws of the United States, which are not locally inapplicable, shall have the same force and effect within that State as in other States of the Union: and the said State is hereby constituted a judicial district of the United States, within which a district court, with the like powers and jurisdiction as the district court of the United States for the district of Nevada, shall be established; the judge, attorney, and marshal of the United States for the said district of Deseret, shall reside within the same, and shall be entitled to the same compensation as the judge, attorney, and marshal of the district of Nevada; and in all cases of appeal or writ of error heretofore prosecuted and now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, upon any record from the supreme court of Utah Territory, the mandate of execution or order of further proceedings shall be directed by the Supreme Court of the United States to the district court of the United States for the district of Deseret, or to the supreme court of the State of Deseret, as the nature of such appeal or writ of error may require, and each of those courts shall be the successor of the supreme court of Utah Territory as to all such cases, with full power to hear and determine the same, and to award mesne or final process therein.

## A BILL

TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF SURVEYOR GENERAL IN THE TERRITORY OF UTAH, AND ESTABLISH A LAND OFFICE IN SAID TERRITORY, AND EXTEND THE HOMESTEAD AND PRE-EMPTION LAWS OVER THE SAME.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint a surveyor general for the Territory of Utah, whose annual salary shall be three thousand dollars, and whose power, authority, and duties shall be the same as those provided by law for the surveyor general of Oregon. He shall have proper allowances for clerk-hire, office rent, and fuel, not exceeding what is now allowed by law to the surveyor general of Oregon.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the public land within said Territory of Utah, to which the Indian title is or shall be extinguished, shall constitute a new land district, to be called the Utah district, and the President is hereby authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a register and receiver of public moneys for said district, who shall be required to reside at the places at which said offices shall be located, and they shall have the same powers, perform the same duties, and be entitled to the same compensation as are or may be prescribed by law in relation to land offices of the United States in other Territories.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to locate said offices of surveyor general and register and receiver of public moneys at some suitable place or places in said Territory.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the pre-emption and homestead, and other laws applicable to the disposal of the public lands are hereby extended over said district.

The Alabama conventionists have voted themselves eight dollars a day, with mileage at 40 cents.

[Special to the Deseret Evening News.]

## By Telegraph.

Berlin, 27.

A general council of the Solverein, in which all the States of north and south Germany will be represented, is to be held at Berlin in March.

Prussia has commenced the withdrawal of all troops from Saxony, except from Fort Konigstern.

Havana, 27.

Santa Anna denies any intention of going to Mexico.

Mexico, 17. Juarez was inaugurated on the previous Sunday.

The Mexican Congress will remain in session three months.

The concession granted to English parties to complete the Vera Cruz railroad falls to the ground.

New York, 28.

The Herald's special says that throughout many counties of Virginia a reign of terror prevails. The freedmen have become desperate, awaiting the expected distribution of lands, and are seeking revenge, burning houses, slaying cattle and committing other outrages.

The Times' special says Sheridan in his unreserved expression of sympathy with the Fenians, has a policy of his own for carrying out their views.

The chances for the purchase of St. Thomas are very slim in the Senate.

New York, 28.

A Rio letter of the 24th Nov. says the news from Montevideo reports the English mail steamer Saturn wrecked in a terrible gale off that place, a week ago. She had 400 hundred persons aboard, including the English Minister who was going on a short visit home. Only fourteen persons were saved.

London, 27.

Another of those fiendish outrages, which characterize the operations of the Fenians, has just been perpetrated in Dublin. An unusually larger number of letters have been received at the Post Office, directed to prominent officials, which contained explosive materials designed to kill the persons to whom addressed. Several exploded before their real nature was ascertained. No person has yet been killed, though a policeman who received one of the letters, was horribly mangled.

The Times states that at least 3,000 special constables are sworn in, in London. It calls attention to the great public danger, and advises provincial cities to imitate the example.

New Orleans, 28.

Serious breaks have occurred in the levee. One below Plaquemine submerged the country to the Jackson railroad. A large force of men has been sent to repair the damage. Hancock has telegraphed for authority to place the starving negroes at work on the levee. Negro depredations continue in the interior and a large military force will be needed to prevent a rising. The military recently disbanded a large assemblage of armed negroes in Jackson near Feliciana.

London, 28.

Accounts of Dickens' enthusiastic reception in Boston and New York have been received, and the Times praises the Americans for their magnanimity.

It is reported that Turkey has offered the Cretans an autonomy government, and has named Prince Christian as the head.

London, 28.

A dispatch from Bombay announces the departure of General Napier to take command of the Abyssinian expedition.

Florence, 28.

It is said Menebrea has declared his intention to dissolve parliament on January 15th, and make an appeal to the country should another vote unfavorable to the ministry be adopted before then.

London, 28.

The Fenians seem unusually active all over the country. Dispatches are hourly received relating to contemplated movements by the brotherhood or some absolute occurrence. Telegrams from Cork report, that about midnight a large body of men with blackened faces stormed Martello tower, near Cork, overcome and scattered the guard, when

the victors hastily collected a quantity of arms and ammunition and escaped.

The late Fenian operations have caused much public excitement, and many improbable rumors are afloat, including one that a Fenian cruiser has been seen off the coast.

A man was captured last night, supposed to be the real culprit in the late Clerkenwell explosion.

Mobile, 28.

L. V. B. Martin, District Attorney, shot Judge Busted twice with a revolver, because the Judge refused to quash an indictment against him. The wound is not considered fatal. Martin has been indicted for revenue frauds.

Washington, 28.

Grant has issued an order to-day, concerning the President's removing General Ord, who is directed to turn over the command to General Gillem, and proceed to San Francisco to take command of the District of California. General McDowell is ordered to assume General Ord's command as soon as he is relieved. General Pope is relieved, and ordered to report at the Head Quarters of the Army. General Mead is appointed Pope's successor. General Swayne of the Freedman's Bureau is ordered to rejoin his regiment.

Madrid, 28.

The Austrian frigate Enerva has arrived at Cadiz with the remains of Maximilian.

The session of the Cortez commenced yesterday. Queen Isabella, in a speech from the throne, pledged the support of the nation for the protection of the Pope's temporal power.

Paris, 28.

The bill for the reorganization of the army passed the Corps Legislatif, after an amendment by Rouher, who was opposed to 9 years service instead of 8, which was carried after a sharp debate, with 81 opposing votes. Rouher called attention to the armaments of neighboring powers and supported his plan as the only one now practicable.

London, 28.

Advices from Shanghai say the total exports of the new crop of tea is 90,000,000 pounds.

Another Fenian outrage has been perpetrated in Dublin. An effort was made to burn the General Post Office, by means of greek fire. The attempt was frustrated and only a few letters were destroyed.

The large powder mill at Feversham, 20 miles from this city, was blown up and utterly destroyed this afternoon. Ten persons were killed. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

New Orleans, 28.

The Convention has adopted an ordinance giving all political and civil rights to persons, without regard to color, who have been in the State one year.

New York, 29.

A Havana special says 400 coolies have arrived at Demarara.

Lord Lyttleton received a warm welcome from the people of Jamaica.

A tidal wave and volcanic eruption destroyed several houses on the Island of Grenada.

Farmington, Mass.—Extensive grist mills, together with a large elevator, were burned last night. The mills were among the largest in New England.

New York, 29.

A movement is inaugurated in this city to raise a regiment for the papal army.

Hartford, 29.

The Russian government has contracted with the Colt Manufacturing Company for 30,000 Berdan rifles.

The Prussian government has ordered a hundred Gatling revolving cannon from the same firm.

Washington, 29.

A private letter from Senor Romero says the prospects continue satisfactory. He thinks Mexico will now have permanent peace.

London, 29.

The Observer says that no extraordinary powers will now be asked of Parliament to repress the Fenian plots.

It is expected that owing to the depression in commerce during the past quarter, the returns will show a serious decrease in the receipts of the revenue.