CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

At 12 o'clock m. to-day, delegates from the different counties of the Territory, assembled in the City Hall, according to concurrent Resolution of the Legislative Assembly, which provided for 72 delegates as follows:

Beaver .... 2 Rich 1
Box Elder .... 2 Salt Lake 10
Cache .... 5 Sanpete 5
Davis .... 3 Sevier 3
Emery .... 1 Summit 3
Iron and San Juan 2 Tooele 2
Juab .... 2 Utah 5
Kane .... 1 Wasatch and Uin-
Millard 1   tah 1
Morgan .... 1 Washington 2
Piute .... 1 Weber 5

Total 72

Gen. D. H. Wells called the Convention to order, when on motion of Hon. C. W. Penrose, Gen. Wells was chosen temporary president, and was conducted to the chair.

On motion of Hon. John Nuttall, Esq., Arthur Stayner was chosen temporary secretary.

On motion of Hon. John T. Caine, a committee of five was appointed by the president, on credentials as follows: John T. Caine, J. E. Booth, W. W. Cluff, F. S. Richards and Edward Dalton.

The committee met, deliberated, and reported the following:

April 10, 1882.

Mr. President:

Your committee on credentials respectfully report the following named persons representing the several counties of the Territory entitled to seats as delegates in this convention.

JOHN T. CAINE,
Chairman.

Beaver County—Jas. McKnight, James Lowe.
Box Elder County—T. W. Brewington, O. G Snow, R. H. Baty.
Cache County—Chas. W. Nibley, G. W. Thatcher, Chas. O. Card, J. C. Thoresen, James Mack, Joseph Howell.
Davis County—Arthur Stayner, Peter Barton, Wm. Thurgood.
Emery County—Elias Cox.
Iron and San Juan Counties—Edward Dalton, Silas H. Smith, John Myers.
Juab County—Edwin Hurley, Wm. A. C. Bryan.
Kane County—Chas. N. Smith, L. John Nuttall.
Millard County—Jos. W. Robinson, Geo. Crane.
Morgan County—Samuel Francis.
Piute County—Culbert King.
Rich County—Jos. Kimball.
Salt Lake County—D. E. Wells, J. T. Caine, C. W. Penrose, Ben Sheeks, Le Grande Young, W. W. Riter, J. L. Rawlins, J. R. Winder, Emmeline B. Wells, James Crane, Sarah M. Kimball, Eliza Howard, Hosea Stout.
Sanpete County—Christian N. Lund; J. P. Christensen, Rees R. Llewellyn, Henry D. Reece, John H. Hougaard.
Sevier County—Albert D. Thurber, Wm. H. Seegmiller, Wm. A. Warnock.
Summit County—Wm. W. Cluff, Ward E. Pack, Alma Eldredge.
Tooele County—Wm. C. Rydalch and Thos. Atkins.
Utah Co.—A. O. Smoot, S. A. Thurman, Jno. E. Booth, O. D. Snell, L. E. Harrington, J. B. Booth, Jno. S. Page, Jno. E. Graham.
Wasatch and Uintah Counties—Henry L Alexander, Abram Hatch.
Washington County — Richard Bentley, Edwin G. Woolley.
Weber County—F. S. Richards, Joseph Stanford, N. Tanner, Jr., S. W. Shurtliff, F. A. Hammond.

Prayer was offered A. O. Smoot.

On motion of Hon. C. W. Penrose a committee of seven was appointed by the president, on permanent organization, to report as soon as convenient. Following are the names of the committee: C. W. Penrose, Ben Sheeks, Mrs. L. M. Kimball, Richard Bentley, L. E. Harrington, Geo. W. Thatcher and Ward E. Pack.

A recess was then taken until 4 p.m.

FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FOURTH DAY.

Sunday, 10 a. m.

The choir sang the hymn on page 17.

Ere long the veil will rend in twain,
The king decreed with all his train.

Prayer by Elder Joseph E. Taylor.
The choir sang the hymn on page 195.

Let Zion in her beauty rise,
Her light begins to shine.

Elder L. John Nuttall then presented the Authorities of the Church, who were sustained by the unanimous votes of the Conference, as follows:

John Taylor, Prophet, Seer and Revelator to, and President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in all the world.

George Q. Cannon as First, and Joseph F. Smith as Second Counselor in the First Presidency.

Wilford Woodruff, President of the Twelve Apostles.

Members of the Council of the Apostles: Wilford Woodruff, Chas. C. Rich, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Albert Carrington, Moses Thatcher, Francis Marion Lyman, John Henry Smith.

Counselors to the Twelve Apostles, John W. Young and Daniel H. Wells.

The Counselors to President John Taylor, the Twelve Apostles and their Counselors, as Prophets, Seers and Revelators.

Patriarch of the Church, John Smith.

The First Seven Presidents of Seventies, Levi W. Hancock, Henry Herriman, Horace S. Eldredge, Jacob Gates, John Van Cott, W. W. Taylor.

The Presiding Bishop of the Church, Edward Hunter, with Leonard W. Hardy and Robert T. Burton as his Counselors.

John Taylor as Trustee-in-Trust for the body of religious worshipers known and recognized as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and his legal title to its property and contract for it.

The Counselors to the President, the Twelve Apostles, their Counselors and Bishop Edward Hunter, as Counselors to the Trustee-in-Trust.

Albert Carrington as President of the Perpetual Emigration Fund for the Gathering of the Poor, and F. D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, H. B. Eldredge, Joseph F. Smith, James M. Cannon, Moses Thatcher, Wm. B. Dougall, John R. Winder, Henry Dinwoodey, Robert T. Burton, A. O. Smoot and H. B. Clawson, as his assistants.

Truman O. Angel as General Architect of the Church, and T. O. [...]

Angell, Jr., and W. H. Folsom, as his assistants.

As Auditing Committee—Wilford Woodruff, E. Snow, F. D. Richards, J. F. Smith, W. Jennings and W. H. Hooper.

George Goddard as Clerk of the General Conference.

George F. Gibbs as Church Reporter.

He then presented the names of:

GREAT BRITAIN.
Charles Wetherston, Platte City
Wilson Gates Nowers, Beaver
Charles L. Harris, ...
William Smith Tanner, Payson

UNITED STATES.
John Ormond, Logan
Charles M. Nielsen, Koosharem
Christian Berger, South Cottonwood
Mons A. Palmer, Glenwood
Mons Anderson, Lehi
John W. Coats, Smithfield
Hans Rehfeldt, ...
Robert S Duke, Heber
James F. Bowen, Ordeville

GERMANY.
Ward E. Pack, Jr., Kamas
Peter Krogh, Bloomington

HOLLAND.
Peter Lammus, Ogden
John Eccar, 12th Ward

SANDWICH ISLANDS.
Martin F. Pack, Kamas

NEW ZEALAND.
Peter E. Hansen, 2nd Ward
Jens Jensen, ...
Joseph Morris, Greenville

MEXICO.
Anthony W. Ivins, St. George

ICELAND.
George Byrantson, Spanish Fork
Fjetir Waigardson, ...
Egihur Orassen, ...

SAN JUAN SETTLEMENTS.
Porter V. Clark, Paiowan,
William Adams, "
George A Adams, "
John S. Adams, "
Thomas Henry, "
Alvin Benson, "
Heber G. Holyoak, "
Lars P. Jensen, "
John F. Nye, "
Rasmus Mickelsen, Jr., "
Abraham A. O. S. Webb, "
Freeman W. Pendleton, "
Adelbert F. McGregor, "
Simon T. Topham, Paragoona, "
John B. Topham, "
Marion S. Dunton, "
John R. Robinson, Jr., "
Richard A. Robinson, "
Albert Lacroux, "
George Robb, "
Thomas A. Smith, Summit, "
Davis G. Adams, Cedar, "
John Leigh, "
John C. Hamilton, "
Benjamin A. Smith, "
David Bulloch, "
Frederick Jones, "
Samuel Wood, "
Charles Wilson, "
Christian Makkopraug, "

ARIZONA.
Alonzo Higbee, Cedar
Horton A. Steele, Minia, Salt River.

SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO.
Carl Frederiksen, Fountain Green.
Ryan E. Green, St. Georges.
Niels C. Hessett, Pleasant Grove.
Niels Heasen, "
Jens C. Overturn, "
James Nielson, Fountain Green
James Jensen, "
John Shawcroft, "
Jordan Brady, Fairview
Wm. Chesney, "
George Tucker, "
N. M. Anderson, Redmond
Carl Hanson, St. Charles, Idaho
Hiram Scofield, Paragoonah
David Boise, Franklin, Idaho

GOOSE CREEK, IDAHO.
Dorr P. Curtis, Herriman

CASTLE DALE, EMERY COUNTY.
Henning Ulnes, ...
Rasmus Justesen, Spring City

Elder Nuttall explained that Elder Wm. Riles, men., was the Elder intended who was called on Friday as a missionary to the Southern States.

Also that Elder John Dunn had been honorably released from the call made upon him as a missionary to the United States.

And that Elder John Sutton, of Bear Lake, was called to Great Britain instead of the United States.

The foregoing were sustained by the unanimous vote of the Conference.

An exhibit of the Perpetual Emigration Fund Company during the past six months was then read to the Conference.

PRESIDENT JOSEPH F. SMITH

Said he had received some excellent instruction during the present Conference. He felt impressed to read some passages from the revelations of God to this Church through the Prophet Joseph Smith.

This we understand to be the law of God to the Latter-day Saints in all the world. These requirements must be observed and obeyed by the people of Zion. If we will do these things, then the Lord has said He is bound, but if we do not observe the laws of God, we have no promise. We are told in these revelations there is in keeping the commandments of God no need for us to break the laws of the land. But this is further shown to signify those laws that are according to the Constitution of the United States. Such is the interpretation that God himself has given, and no Latter-day Saint need be in doubt as to what his course should be. The speaker maintained that an American citizen he had the right not only to express his views on this subject, but also to practice the laws of God. He was a true-born citizen, and had come from a long line of ancestors who had maintained the principles of freedom. He had never broken any law and was not amenable to its penalties. He was not a violator of law, but had been an upholder of law, a preacher of righteousness, and a practicer of the laws of God. What then had he to fear. The Lord has commanded us to observe the laws of the land, and the subject to the powers that be. But if laws are passed in direct opposition to the constitutional law of the land the speaker knew of no power that could or had the right to prevent us from expressing our disapproval of such innovations. If such pass prescriptive and oppressive laws like those of Herod and the Chaldeans, and thus violate their oaths of office to observe the Constitution, there is no valid law, human or divine, to compel our acceptance. God has expressly commanded His people to keep His laws, and all who do so are prepared to risk the consequences, and our only safe example is found in Holy Writ. He then read from Doctrine and Covenants, page 384, showing the promises of God that His people should prevail against the wicked, and went on to say, it is written that the wicked can do nothing against, but what they do will turn out to be a benefit to the people of God. Joseph Smith the Prophet was opposed from the beginning. He was a lad, yet his enemies persecuted him and cast out his name as evil, and during his career of usefulness he was continually assailed. He stood at first alone, having no such host of Elders at his back as we have here to-day; but although every conceivable trap was laid for him, beset, and every diabolical effort possible was made to check his labors, notwithstanding all those wicked endeavors, he was enabled by the help of God to prosecute the work that God required of him to accomplish. The plates were translated, the Book of Mormon published, the Church was organized, missionaries were sent out, thousands of the Saints were gathered, and the Church was established on a sure foundation, before he was called to lay down his life as a testimony to the truth. All the world was aroused and the only reason why they did not destroy this word and this people was because they couldn't. The cunning of the Saints from Missouri was only turned up by the roots and planting it in richer soil where it could bear greater fruit. The whole world saw this example before them. In Nauvoo the Prophet was opposed from the beginning. He was a lad, yet his enemies persecuted him and cast out his name as evil, and during his career of usefulness he was continually assailed... When the mob killed Joseph [...]

...and Hyrum and shed the blood of our present honored leader they thought they had accomplished their ends. But the work and purposes of God can never be destroyed. The wicked may lay their plans, and pursue their hellish plots, but the work of God was onward and upward, the faith of the Saints is coming stronger and stronger. He well remembered when but a little boy his widowed mother ferrying her children across the Mississippi from Nauvoo, to the Iowa side, where, under the shade of a tree, they beheld the bombardment of the city, which they had just left, with their house furniture and property. He also remembered his own ferriage at that time. They were not of sorrow or regret, for joy and thankfulness to God for the shelter even of a tree, and that they were away from their enemies and were once more free. He then portrayed the present circumstances of the Church, and showed that the "Mormons" were a hard people to destroy. We have an object in being killed, we don't mean to be demolished, and although we cannot tell what our immediate experience may be, yet we are sure to prevail. We may possibly be driven again; he did not say we shall be, but if we are, we shall come up again greater than before. Whatever may happen, whatever our enemies may be permitted to do with us, will ultimately result in the greatest possible good to the kingdom of God. No power can stop it one iota. We have got to meet every issue squarely, and every man and woman who will not believe in their faith, but will seek righteousness, and live for the truth, God will surely bring off victorious, from this time, henceforth and forever.

PRESIDENT TAYLOR

Then said that there had been some remarks made during the conference about our dealing with those not of our people, that while we wished to be liberal, when men manifested a spirit of hostility against us, it became us as wise and prudent men to take care of ourselves. Cooperation had been talked about considerably from time to time as being a stepping stone to something that would unite us. If we would bring about something like that would like others to deal with them, there would be no objection on our part for our own brethren to do these things; that it certainly would much better for them to embark in such enterprises than our enemies. Because in putting money into the hands of our friends we sustained our friends; whilst by putting money into the hands of our enemies we placed ourselves, to that extent at least, in their power to do us injury, which, it would seem from past experience, they were not, as a general thing, slow to do. We believe in being generous, hospitable and kind, but when our generosity is abused as it has been so flagrantly of late, it behooves us to be cautious in our moves. The old adage, "Self-preservation is the first law of nature," was applicable to us, especially under the present circumstances. Those that were wise and had good judgment would understand.

Our co-operative institutions generally had done very well in subserving the interests of the people; and if other institutions should be introduced in the various states by wise, honorable, just and honest men who have at heart, themselves, the spirit of co-operation and who practise the principle, and carry it out, there would be no objection to their calling upon the people to sustain the same principle in anything that they might introduce by way of financial enterprises among themselves. It was far better for our own people to do these things, and derive themselves the benefits arising therefrom, than to every of enemies to our people to do it for them. But men who embarked in financial enterprises expecting the patronage of the people should be honest and honorable men, in whose minds deal fairly and uprightly with their patrons, and men who live their religion. An honorable Gentile was preferable to a dishonorable Mormon. The present Co-operative and other institutions in which the people were interested paid their tithing to help to meet the requirements of the Church; and any other institution whose business was conducted in accord with the spirit and principles of our religion we would not only sustain, otherwise we would not sue as then, it mattered not under what name or guise it was carried on. In these affairs they should run on the Stake authorities.

Some people were trembling in their feelings, and were full of fear and doubts, and felt like some of the ancient Israelites, that there were giants in the land, that the Canaanites were very numerous, that they were strong and powerful, but the speaker wished to say that the Canaanites nor any other "ite." possessed power only that God gave it to to them; that the Latter-day Saints could only be sustained as God sustained them, and it was for us to put our trust in Him, knowing no fear but the fear of God. He felt again like crying, Hallelujah, hallelujah! the Lord God omnipotent reigneth, and He will reign until He has put all enemies under His feet.

Adjourned till 2 p.m.

Singing by the choir. Prayer by Apostle F. M. Lyman.

2 o'clock p.m.

The choir sang on page 57:

Praise ye the Lord, 'tis good to raise
Your hearts and voices in His praise.

Prayer by Apostle Erastus Snow.
The choir sang on page 423:

While of these emblems we partake,
In Jesus' name, and for His sake.

Sacrament was administered.

PRESIDENT JOHN TAYLOR

Said he desired to speak such words as would be both edifying and useful, and to do so he cared only to be the representative of the faithful in his behalf. He was aware of the position he occupied to-day, surrounded by thousands of intelligent men and women. And while he was speaking to the Saints he was also speaking to the world; for his words would be published, and he desired to speak upon such principles, as emanating from heavenly Father. He continued a very interesting discourse of over two hours, a very large portion of which will be published in the DESERET NEWS in a few days in the DESERET NEWS.

The testimony of Governor Cumming's views was read, as well as some statistical facts in reference to our educational status, and pertaining to the office-holders throughout the Territory and a comparative number of convicts in our penitentiary as compared with other States, he concluded that we [...]