

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY APRIL 26, 1888.

**"Historical Record."**

The current number of this valuable publication is at hand. The contents are of unusual interest, covering as they do, the history of the Prophet Joseph and the Church from October, 1830, to November, 1881. This work of historical reference should be in every family. Andrew Jenson, publisher, Salt Lake City.

**Returned Missionary.**

Elder Neils C. Christensen of Mayfield, reached this city last evening on his return from a mission to the United States. He left Utah in April, 1886, and traveled five or six months in Iowa and Minnesota. He was then transferred to Pennsylvania, where he labored until released. In the latter state there are good prospects of the spread of the Gospel, the Elders making many friends, though considerable opposition is manifested. Elder Christensen returns in the best of health and spirits.

**The Church Case.**

The plaintiff took another step in the suit for Church property today. Messrs. James Jack and David McKenzie were subpoenaed as witnesses to appear before Commissioner Sprague at 10 a. m. today, but a continuation was had till that time tomorrow. Mr. McKenzie was directed to have certain records of the Salt Lake City Street Railroad Company in court. Mayor Francis Armstrong was also subpoenaed as a witness in the same proceeding.

**Independent Company.**

We are daily anticipating the receipt of instructions regarding arrangements for this season's emigration. There are a limited number of persons who anxiously desire to leave here for Utah as early as possible, they having the necessary means on hand, and completed their preparations for that purpose. To accommodate these members of the Church who are thus prepared to go, as an independent company, we have arranged for them to sail, per Gulon steamship Wisconsin, on April 28.—*Millennial Star*.

**Third District Court.**

Proceedings before Judge Zane today: George A. Luke vs. Harriet A. Lewis; ten days' additional time given to answer. United States vs. Alex. Brown; adultery; defendant moved that the jury be instructed to visit the premises; motion denied; case argued, and jury render a verdict of guilty; thirty days' stay allowed to file statement on motion for a new trial. United States vs. Peter Tong; incest; on trial before a jury. Howard Sebree vs. Isaac K. Wright; default of defendant; judgment given for plaintiff.

**Probate Court.**

Proceedings in the Salt Lake County Probate Court yesterday: In the matter of the estate and guardianship of Charles W. Needham, a minor; order made appointing R. Winters, Joseph Haywood and William McKee appraisers. Estate and guardianship of John McCullough, a minor; order made appointing time and place to hear petition for order of sale of real estate. Estate of William Thompson, deceased; order made appointing time and place to hear petition asking that the whole of the real estate of said deceased be set apart for the use of the widow of said deceased.

**Found Guilty.**

The testimony in the trial of Alex. Brown, the ex-"Mormon" who has been before the Third District Court on the charge of adultery, was concluded last evening. This morning the defendant's attorney, Arthur Brown, asked that the jury be permitted to visit the premises where the offense was alleged to have been committed; the request was denied, it being deemed unnecessary by the court. Both sides then made their arguments, and the jury retired. They were but a short time in arriving at a verdict of guilty. The defendant was visibly affected by the result. Thirty days was allowed him in which to file a statement on a motion for a new trial.

**The "Contributor."**

In the latest issue of the *Contributor*, which came out yesterday, the history of the Nauvoo Legion, by R. W. Young, is continued. This paper is a highly interesting and well-written contribution to the literature of this community. J. M. Tanner has an interesting article on "Traveling in Palestine." Prof. J. E. Talmage contributes a philosophical and scientific article on "The Genins of Life." J. H. Ward gives a sketch of the region called Alberta, which Reil, the Canadian insurrectionist, sought to save to his tribe. Under the caption "Familiar Doctrine from a Strange Source," extracts from a sermon by "a surprised minister," delivered in New York City, are given by "Gloster." A long poem entitled "Jacob" is contributed by Mrs. Crocheron. B. H. Roberts has a paper on "Mormonism and Education." Editorial and selected matter, with "Association Intelligence," completes the number.

**THE STORM.**

It was Pretty General Throughout the Territory.

The following weather report was received per Deseret Telegraph Line at noon today: Silver Reef—Heavy wind, clear and cold; some rain yesterday. Toquerville—Strong wind from north today; slight rain yesterday. Cedar City—Cloudy; slight frost; some rain yesterday. Parowan—A little rain yesterday and last night; cloudy today. Kanab—Cloudy and cold; very slight rain yesterday. St. George—Some rain yesterday. Windy.

Fillmore—Pleasant. Snowed and rained heavily yesterday; gave the ground a good soaking. Beaver—Cloudy. Rained and snowed yesterday at intervals.

Nephi—No rain last night or today. Quite a frost last night, cloudy and cold. Slight hail-storm in afternoon yesterday. Rained about four hours Tuesday night, and snowed much in the mountains.

Provo—About two hours light rain Tuesday night, about three hours yesterday of snow and rain. Very light shower yesterday evening. Still cloudy.

Logan—Clear now, but rained all yesterday. No snow.

Brigham City—Fine now, but rather chilly. Rained all day yesterday and all night last night. Some snow on the foot of the mountains.

Paris, Idaho—Rained yesterday and snowed last night. It is stormy today.

Manti—Rained and snowed all day yesterday. Today it is clearing off. Cold; no frost.

Glenwood—Windy and cold. Rather cloudy today. Had quite a snowstorm yesterday afternoon.

The report shows that the storm was pretty general throughout the Territory. This will be good news to the people, especially the farming classes, many of whom were beginning to fear serious results from the comparatively long spell of dry and hot weather.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY APRIL 27, 1888.

**Arrested.**

Today Jens Hansen, of Mill Creek, was arrested on an indictment charging him with unlawful cohabitation. He has already served one term in the penitentiary for that offense. He was released on \$1000 bail to await trial.

**Baseball Bulletins.**

The Western Union Telegraph Company is now prepared to furnish to individuals, clubs, or to pool rooms, telegraphic reports of the baseball games played in various parts of the country. Rates will be given upon application at the company's office in this city.

**Case Dismissed.**

The charge of fornication against Sarah E. Winegar was called up in the Third District Court today. Mr. Brown, her attorney, was ready for trial and wanted to proceed at once. Mr. Peters said his witnesses were not present, and wanted a continuance. The matter was finally adjusted by the case being dismissed on motion of the District Attorney.

**The Incest Cases.**

The trial of Peter Tong, of Summit County, on the charge of incest with his daughter Sarah, took place in the Third District Court yesterday afternoon, and resulted in the acquittal of the defendant, the jury being out about four hours. His daughter testified that a young man named Gerrold, with whom she had been keeping company, was the father of the child. This morning the case against Sarah Tong, for incest, was dismissed, on motion of the district attorney, and the defendant has been set at liberty.

**Down From the "Pen."**

Today Christian Hansen, of Brigham City, and Andrew G. Stromberg, of Huntsville, were brought down from the penitentiary, where they have served a six months' term for unlawful cohabitation, and thirty days additional for the fine. Both were discharged after the hearing before Commissioner Norrell. Mr. Hansen was set at liberty, but Mr. Stromberg was sent back to prison to remain another six months. This latter sentence was imposed on a charge of adultery, and simply amounts to an additional term for living with his second wife a portion of the time, as that was the occasion of the charge. It was for associating with and recognizing her as his wife that he was sentenced on the first charge.

**The Church Case.**

The taking of testimony in the suit of the United States vs. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was proceeded with before Examiner Sprague today, Mayor Francis Armstrong being in the witness stand. He was interrogated at great length in regard to his purchase of \$45,000 worth of Street Railroad stock from the Trustee-in-Trust early in 1887. He gave an account of his receiving the stock and also of having given a promissory note for it, which he redeemed shortly after by paying the cash. The attorney for

the Receiver was exceedingly curious to learn all about this part of the transaction, and was answered with frankness. He wanted to know where Mr. Armstrong paid the money and to whom, and was informed that \$25,000 was paid, at the witness' house, to President John Taylor, in person. This was in April, 1885. The remainder was paid to a messenger sent to receive it. The attorney asked for the Mayor's certificate of stock, and Mr. Armstrong told him where it was and that he could have the privilege of looking at it, but could not obtain possession of it, as it was witness' private property. The examination was in progress this afternoon.

**Probate Court.**

Proceedings in the Salt Lake County Probate Court yesterday:

In the matter of the estate of Samuel S. Walker, deceased; claim of T. R. Jones for \$2735.55 allowed.

Estate of George Nebeker, deceased; order made appointing time and place to hear petition for order of sale of real estate.

Estate of John Burt, deceased; order made appointing time and place to hear petition of Jane Burt and Peter G. Burt, asking that letters of administration be issued to them.

Estate of David R. Lewis, deceased; order made appointing time and place to hear petition of Catherine Lewis, asking that letters of administration be issued to her.

Estate of Abraham Coon, deceased; hearing of petition of authority to convey real estate sold by deceased adjourned until April 28th.

Estate of E. L. Sloan deceased; hearing of petition for settlement of final account and distribution adjourned until May 2d.

Estate of Thomas King, deceased; proof of posting notices of time and place of hearing, and publication of notice to creditors made; decrees made that due and legal notice to creditors has been given; order made allowing and approving final account, distributing the residue of said estate.

**Mollie Thompson on Trial.**

Today, in the Third District Court, the case of the People vs. Mollie Thompson was on trial before a jury. The defendant is charged with grand larceny, in being associated with Charles Wilson in robbing a Chinaman, Charlie Tong. Wilson was convicted at the last term of court, and is now serving out his sentence. Mollie Thompson was tried for the offense, but the jury disagreed. Since then she has been in custody. The crime was committed on the 21st of October, 1887.

Charlie Tong, a Chinaman who gives his age as fifteen years, is the prosecuting witness. His story is that on the evening of the day named he was accosted by Wilson, who inquired where he was going. Charlie said to the railway depot. Thereupon Wilson invited him to get into his wagon, and ride down. Charlie accepted the invitation, and Wilson drove over to a saloon to get some whisky. On starting off, he drove to the south end of Main Street instead of to the depot. The Chinaman says he did not discover the change, owing to the darkness. Wilson drove up to his tent, located near the bottom of Main Street, and told the Chinaman to get out. The latter objected, saying it was not the depot. Wilson told him to go inside, and said he would stop a minute or two, and then go to the station. Charlie went in, and saw Mollie Thompson there. A minute or so after, Wilson came in. He seized the Chinaman, threw him down, took off his coat, vest and shoes, tied his hands with a scarf, and tried to get his pants off. He searched the pockets of these and took \$102.75 which the heathen had in his possession. Then he said he would kill him, and asked Mollie to get a knife, but she would not. Wilson then got up to get the knife, and the Chinaman scrambled to his feet and ran up the street screaming. While he was in the tent he saw Mollie Thompson take his money out of his purse and throw the latter into the fire. Charlie notified the officers, who arrested the couple, and afterwards found the partially burnt purse in the stove.

Mollie Thompson testified in her own behalf this afternoon, and denied having had any part in the robbery. She had seen the Chinaman with \$2, and had also seen Wilson choke him to the ground, but said it was for insulting her. The case was given to the jury this afternoon.

**A ROBBER'S ROOST.**

The Police Discover One in the Seventeenth Ward.

Last evening the police arrested Albert and Richard Jeffreys, on the charge of grand larceny. The occasion that led to this step was the loss, by Mr. S. H. Leaver, bookkeeper for Mason & Co., of a coat in the pockets of which were some valuable papers, among them two bank checks in favor of Mason & Co., one for \$93.21 and the other for \$2.95. Three or four days ago Mr. Leaver placed his coat on the porch, from where it shortly afterward disappeared, and no trace of it could be found. Yesterday Richard Jeffreys came to him with the check for \$93.21, saying he had found it and asking a reward. Mr. Leaver paid him \$2. Knowing that the check was in the stolen coat, he notified the police, who proceeded to work up the case.

Last night three officers went to the home of Richard Jeffreys, with a warrant for his arrest. His place is near the Seventeenth Ward school-house, where he and his family live in one small room. Richard was not there, so Officer Robert Pyper was left to await his return, while the others went off to see whether he could be found elsewhere. Richard soon came home, and entered the back door. Officer Pyper notified him what his business was, and began reading the warrant. Richard made a bee line for the street, rushing out at the front door of the house.

He got to the gate before the officer overtook him, and there a lively scrimmage was had. The officer seized Jeffreys by the collar, when the latter struck a vicious blow at him. Mr. Pyper dodged, and desiring to avoid hurting his man, began a struggle to overcome him. Jeffreys shouted for his wife to bring him his knife, but she confined her operations to asking the officer not to strike her husband. Mr. Pyper got hold of Jeffreys' throat and it was not long before he had the "nippers" safely on his prisoner's wrists. The latter struggled and threatened, but all to no avail, and he was hustled off to jail. Meantime the other officers came back to Jeffreys' house, and searched the place, which proved to be a regular storehouse for goods, which were evidently stolen. They finally learned that the coat was at the house of Albert Jeffreys, Richard's brother in the Nineteenth Ward, and at that place they found it in the cellar, the entrance to which was hidden by the carpet on the floor. This led to Albert's arrest. There was nothing left in the coat pockets.

When Richard Jeffreys was taken to the City Hall, he said he had found the check which he had returned to Mr. Leaver lying loose on the street. The officers listened to his story, and then told him where the coat had been found, and that Albert said Richard put it there. At this he made the claim that he had also found the coat, but had not seen any other papers.

Today, Mrs. Kree, who lives near the Museum, came to the City Hall, and complained that two or three days ago several Smyrna rugs had been stolen from the porch of her house, where she had placed them temporarily. The officers immediately recognized them, from the description, as the same they had seen at Richard Jeffreys' house. They went down to investigate, when lo! a new discovery was made. There was a stench of burning rubber about the place, and an investigation showed a coat of that material burning in the stove. The three rugs, one of which was worth \$25, had spared the fate of the coat, as had also many other articles of carpeting, bedding, papers, etc., showing that Richard's wife must have spent nearly the whole of the night in trying to destroy the roof of her husband's guilt.

The premises were then thoroughly searched, and the officers gathered a large quantity of coats, vests, stockings, shoes, hats, caps, underwear, carpets, quilts, clothing of almost every description; besides a great many other articles. Mrs. Jeffreys broke down and told how her husband had brought the articles home. He never told where he got them, but she, knowing them stolen, did all she could to persuade him to stop his nefarious proceedings. Her conduct and appearance shows that she is not by any means hardened to crime, and that she is almost heartbroken at her husband's course of life. Still she clings to him and would shield him if she could. Her case is a pitiable one at present. She has two or three children, the youngest, a babe of about twelve months, being very ill. It has been ailing for months.

Alfred Jeffreys was released today on \$300 bail; to appear for trial at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Richard's bail, on the grand larceny charge, and one of petit larceny now preferred against him, was fixed at \$1300, which he was unable to secure. The last named charge was because of his having robbed Mr. Burbage's clothes line. He was caught at it, but would not have been prosecuted had it not been for the other developments. It is now likely that a number of new charges will be brought against him.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS.**

The Bill Introduced by Delegate Caine.

We have received from Hon. John T. Caine a copy of the bill providing for the erection of a public building at Salt Lake City, introduced by him in the House of Representatives on April 16. It reads as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase, acquire by condemnation, or otherwise provide a site, and cause to be erected thereon a substantial and commodious building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the legislature, the governor and secretary, United States courts, land offices, internal revenue offices, post office, United States marshal's office, surveyor general's office, and for other government uses, at Salt Lake City, Utah Territory. The site and building thereon, when completed upon plans and specifications to be

previously made and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall not exceed in cost the sum of five hundred thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury; and no purchase of site, nor plan of said building, shall be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury involving an expenditure exceeding the sum of five hundred thousand dollars for site and building; and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States.

Yesterday Postmaster Barratt received the following in response to a public invitation issued by him:

Hon. C. R. Barratt, Postmaster Salt Lake City:—DEAR SIR:—A few days ago you requested through the columns of the papers of this city, that persons who had property within certain specified limits suitable for a location for government buildings, would submit propositions giving location and price of same. Desiring to assist in the laudable undertaking we will offer for your consideration, a piece of ground that is not within the limits specified, viz.: We will donate to the government, free of charge, 185 feet by 200 feet on the corner of Main and Eighth South streets, and fronting east and south, provided that the government will at an early date erect suitable buildings for a postoffice, etc.

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WESTFIELD & CRISMON.

The location suggested does not meet with general favor, compared to the offer of the city to donate 330 by 330 feet (two and a half acres), on Arsenal Hill, for government buildings. The latter site is close to the site for the state buildings on Capitol Hill, faces the principal street of the city, is much nearer the centre of business, and has a commanding view of the whole city and valley.

The Commerce Committee of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce has presented the following report in regard to a chamber of commerce building.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, April 26, 1888.

To the President and Board of Directors, Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce.

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Commerce beg to report that our labors toward securing the erection of a Government building in this city have met with more success and encouragement than we had hoped for. You have doubtless noticed, in the daily papers that our Representative in Congress, and Governor West have strong and reasonable hopes that an ample appropriation will be made for this purpose, all of which has been brought about by the combined and earnest action of our Chamber. With the foregoing flattering prospect in view, which of itself is a worthy instance of the results of unanimous effort, we now call your attention to the past action of the Chamber as regards the erection of a Chamber of Commerce building. It appears that a committee was appointed for that purpose, who reported back to the Chamber quite an exhaustive collection of plans, specifications, etc., the carrying out of which would necessitate the expenditure of probably two million dollars. The raising of this sum was to be effected by floating bonds, buying up a ten-acre block, and numerous other deals thought by some to be of a speculative and risky character. Without going into further details, it is but necessary to state that their plans did not meet with public confidence or the combined support of our Chamber. While their efforts were highly praiseworthy, and doubtless emanated from a sincere desire to further public industry and thrift, your committee are of opinion that their plan was far in excess of the needs and necessities of our city, and too gigantic to elicit the most essential feature towards its completion—financial aid. It is apparent to all that we are today as far from having a commerce building as we were before the subject was agitated. Your committee is still of opinion that nothing will more tend to stimulate our commerce or inspire the inauguration of a building boom in our midst than the erection of a commerce building, aside from the fact that it can be built upon a feasible, self-sustaining basis, and we now recommend your honorable body that a \$150,000 building will answer all needs and requirements for a chamber, and we suggest that another meeting be called, in order that the subject may be fully discussed from this basis.

C. P. MASON,  
RUDOLPH ALFF,  
HENRY SIEGEL,  
J. B. WALDEN,  
Committee on Commerce.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY APRIL 28, 1888.

**Arraigned.**

Today Soren Jacobsen was arraigned in the Third District Court on an indictment charging him with unlawful cohabitation. He entered a plea of not guilty.

**No Session.**

Last Saturday the Territorial Supreme Court adjourned to 2 o'clock this afternoon, but at that hour only the Chief Justice was present, Judges Boreman and Henderson failing to appear. Judge Zane adjourned court 2 p. m. on Wednesday next.

**Two Bodies Found.**

The search for the bodies of the two little daughters of Mr. Wilson and Mr. Newby, drowned in Ogden River, has thus far resulted in the finding of Mr. Newby's body and that of the elder of the two girls. The search still continues for the other child.