

date edits, to whip into line every "Gentile" who has manhood enough to object to its fraudulent methods or protest against its infamous designs.

If disfranchisement should follow political unity, or should be the consequence of bending to the dictation of political chiefs, then the "Liberals" of Utah ought to be disfranchised to a man, and all the horrors threatened by their candidate for Congressional honors should be shaken before their eyes, until they throw off their thralldom and act like freemen and Americans.

And we say to the citizens of Utah who are not bound by oath or interest to the "Liberal" conspiracy, whatever may be your faith or political proclivities, assert your independence, your aversion to dishonesty, oppression and political robbery, by turning your backs on a party that works by these means, and on a candidate who avows his desire to strike from the hands of thousands of law-keeping citizens the sacred right of franchise, because they unite against his unrepublish schemes and will not vote for their malignant and unprincipled foes.

SUITS FOR REAL ESTATE.

The following answer has been filed in the suit to escheat and forfeit what is known as the Tithing Office property in this city, in pursuance of the Edmunds-Tucker law. In the suits involving the Gardo House and Church Farm respectively, answers precisely similar have been filed, except that, in respect to the Gardo House, the allegation is made that it is exempt from forfeiture for the reason that it is a parsonage; and in respect to the Church Farm, vesture under the Revised Statutes of the United States of 1874 is alleged.

In the District Court for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory.

In the matter of proceedings for the forfeiture of certain real estate, formerly held and owned by the corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Answer and claim.

To the Honorable Chas. S. Zane, judge of the District Court in and for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory:

The answer and claim of William B. Preston, Robert T. Burton and John R. Winder, intervening for their interest, to the information filed by A. H. Garland, Attorney General of the United States, and George S. Peters, Attorney of the United States for the Territory of Utah, against the property described in said information which was filed in this court (No. 7503), on the 8th day of October, 1888, shows, allege as follows:

First—That they are the owners of the property mentioned in said

libel of information and hereinafter described, and have the legal title thereto, as trustees for the voluntary religious association known as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in trust for religious and charitable purposes, and that, at the time of its seizure, they were in possession of said property, which is described as follows, to-wit:

Part of lots three (3) and four (4) in block eighty-eight (88), as the same are platted and designated on plat A, Salt Lake City survey, County of Salt Lake, Utah Territory, and bounded as follows: Commencing at a point four (4) rods north of the southwest corner of said lot four (4) running thence north sixteen (16) rods; thence east twenty (20) rods; thence south twelve and one half (12½) rods; thence west fourteen (14) rods; thence south three and one half (3½) rods; thence west six rods; to the place of beginning, and being a part of what is known as the Tithing Office and grounds.

All the south half (½) of lots five (5) and six (6) in block eighty eight (88) as the same are platted and designated in plat A, Salt Lake City Survey, in the County of Salt Lake, Utah Territory; said tract containing two hundred square rods of land, more or less, and being a part of what is known as the Tithing Office and grounds.

Second—That the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is an association for religious and charitable uses and purposes, and has the right to own and hold such property, through Trustees, to be used for such purposes.

Third—These claimants deny that they ever held said property, or any part thereof, in violation of the provisions of the third section of the act of Congress of July 1st, 1862, referred to in said information, or that the same, or any part thereof, was ever acquired or held in violation of any law of the United States or that it ever was or is in excess of the amount of real estate which said Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, as a corporation or otherwise, was by law entitled to hold. Deny that all or any of the real estate described in said information ever became or was subject to be forfeited or escheated to the United States, by virtue of the provisions of said act of Congress, or otherwise, or that since the dissolution of the corporation of said Church there has been no legal claimant or owner of said real estate except the United States.

Fourth—These claimants aver that, at the time of the enactment of said act of Congress of July 1st, 1868, and long prior thereto, the said Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, as a voluntary association, held and owned the above described real estate and had a vested right to and interest in the same, and that ever since has had and still has such vested right to and interest in said property.

Fifth—These claimants aver that all proceedings to forfeit or escheat said property, or any part thereof, are barred by section 1047 of the Revised Statutes of the United States,

and that the alleged cause of forfeiture mentioned in said information did not accrue within five years before the commencement of these proceedings and the filing of this information.

Wherefore the said claimants deny that the said property, or any part thereof, is forfeited and escheated to the United States in manner and form as in said libel of information alleged, or otherwise.

WM. B. PRESTON,
ROBERT T. BURTON,
JOHN R. WINDER,
Claimants.

F. S. RICHARDS,

LEGRAND YOUNG,

Attorneys for said claimants.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of October, 1890.

JAMES JACK,

Notary Public.

The following pleading has been filed in each of the three cases:

In the District Court for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory. In the matter of proceedings for the forfeiture of certain real estate, formerly held and owned by the corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Exception.

To the Honorable Charles S. Zane, Judge of the District Court in and for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory.

The exceptions of William B. Preston, Robert T. Burton and John R. Winder, defendants to the libel of information of the United States in the above entitled cause, allege:

First—That the court has no jurisdiction to hear and determine the matters and things contained in said information in manner and form as the same are therein alleged;

Second—That said information and the matters and things therein alleged are not sufficient in law to authorize this court to render a judgment of forfeiture to the United States of the property therein described.

F. S. RICHARDS,
LEGRAND YOUNG,
Attorneys for said claimants.

A PITIFUL CASE.

A heartrending affair took place at the depot last Thursday afternoon. It seems that some time ago a Mr. Hansen living in the old country, joined the Church, and emigrated to Logan last spring. After arrival here, he secured money and sent to pay for the emigration of his wife and a grown daughter. The husband had been working at his trade as mason during the summer, and, sad to relate, died after a short illness, a week ago. The mother and the young lady arrived on Thursday, entirely innocent of what had occurred, and were anticipating a joyful reunion with him who had been called away from earth. Arriving here they inquired at the depot for Mr. Hansen, and were prostrated with grief upon learning from Mr. John Johnson that he was dead. They are at present living with a son of the deceased, who lives in the Fourth Ward.—*Logan Journal*.