

## CURRENT EVENTS.

## Edmunds Law Prosecutions.

Tuesday, June 3d, Mr. John Beck gave himself up at the United States Marshal's office, to answer to an indictment found against him on the 14th of last December, accusing him of adultery. He was required to give \$2,000 bonds before Commissioner Greenman. A. E. Hyde and W. S. McCornick became his sureties.

June 6th Deputy Marshal Whetstone brought to Ogden Charles Johns, of Portage, Cache County, under indictment on the charges of adultery and unlawful cohabitation with a plural wife. He gave bail before Clerk Henderson in the sum of \$1500 on the former and \$1000 on the latter charge. H. G. Richins and P. T. Wright became his sureties.

Isaac J. Wardle, of South Jordan, was arrested Wednesday, June 4 at his home by Deputy Marshal Doyle, on a charge of unlawful cohabitation. He was brought to the city and taken before Commissioner Greenman and bound over for trial at the September term on an indictment found against him April 23, 1887. Geo. A. Lowe and S. P. Teasdale are his bondsmen.

Commissioner Pratt listened to the evidence in a case brought against Joseph Powell, accusing him of unlawful cohabitation with Mrs. Joseph Powell and Elizabeth Powell, from June 1, 1888, to June 1, 1890. Le Grand Young appeared as the attorney for the defendant, and E. B. Critchlow prosecuted.

The first witness was Miss Alice Powell, who testified—I live in the Second Ward, Salt Lake City; live with my mother, Elizabeth Powell; my father's name is John R. Powell; I have a sister seven years old; Joseph Powell, the defendant, is my father's brother; he lives in the First Ward; his wife's name is Thirza Powell; he sometimes comes to our house; he called there last Saturday, about noon; he only comes there to visit us; my brother died seven years ago; we sometimes visit father's house; he has not married again; he has not been to mother's house for a long time; mother does washing for my uncle's family; my uncle Joseph has never stayed at our house all night.

John R. Powell testified—The defendant is my brother; his wife's name is Thirza; Elizabeth Powell was formerly my wife; we were divorced, on suit by her, in court; this was four or five years ago; when she left me she went to her brother's house; she now lives with her two children; no one else lives with her; about five years ago I found my brother at my wife's room; I ordered him to keep away from the house, but he did not; my wife got the divorce from me about that time; he denied any intimacy with her; I saw him go into the house twice during last May; never saw him there except in the day time; I have seen him there once a month; I contribute some to the

children's support; I have heard that my brother gives them means; I saw Lizzie at my brother's doing the washing; I never spoke to my brother about being married to her.

Daniel Powell testified—Joseph Powell is my father-in-law; Elizabeth Powell is my sister; She was married to John R. Powell, and they separated; she has not been remarried; she has never lived with defendant; her father and his father were cousins.

Mark Powell testified—I live in the same house with John R. Powell; I am Daniel Powell's uncle, and Joseph Powell's cousin; I lived at Joseph's when I first came here; Lizzie's father is my brother, and lives with his son Dan; I saw Joseph at Lizzie's house on one occasion; he claims to be a member of the "Mormon" Church, and that is all; he does that for a purpose, I believe; I saw Lizzie at his house once.

Elizabeth Powell testified—I was divorced from John R. Powell four years ago, in Judge Zane's court; the grounds were, abusing me and failing to support; the defendant calls to see me once in a while, when he is passing; he sometimes comes once a week, and sometimes not once a month; before I was divorced, my husband never complained because the defendant came to the house; he had no occasion to; the defendant does not contribute to my support; I have sometimes had vegetables from his garden, and he did not charge me therefor; I go to his house every two weeks, to do the washing; I was never married to him, or agreed to; never went through any ceremony with him; I am a "Mormon"; I was never at the Temple or Endowment House with him; all of my children are John Powell's; one is dead, two are living; the defendant never suggested that I become his wife; my bed is in the front room, and visitors all come into that room.

Mr. Young—Do you ask, Mr. Critchlow, that he be held?

Mr. Critchlow—Oh no.

Commissioner Pratt—There is no evidence against the defendant. He will be discharged.

## Released From Prison.

June 7th, Captain John Hart, of Lehi, was released from the penitentiary, where he has served an eighteen months' term for living with his wives. His health has been fair generally.

Christian L. Christianson, of Piute County, was before Commissioner Pratt June 9, and was ordered released from the penitentiary. He has served six months for unlawful cohabitation and thirty days for the fine imposed.

## A Witness Arrested.

June 5th, Deputy Marshals Doyle and Cannon visited the residence of Jonathan D. Wood, of Wood's Cross. Mr. Wood is under indictment for unlawful cohabitation, but he was not at home. Eliza Hess Wood, his alleged plural wife, was brought down on an attachment issued by Judge Zane. She was

taken before Commissioner Pratt and gave a bond of \$500 to secure her attendance as a witness.

## Should be Punished.

The parties who are guilty of having defaced public and private property, by plastering it with pictured paper, should be discovered, arrested and punished for the flagrant violation of the ordinance in such case made and provided. They ought also to be required to pay damages to those they have caused to suffer pecuniary loss. If the officers do not take the necessary steps in the premises, they will be open to censure for neglect of duty.

## Returned Elders.

Elder Elias W. Crane, of Salina, Sevier County, returned some time ago from a mission to the Southern States. He left Utah on November 6th, 1888, and first went to Georgia, where he labored for nine months in Warren and adjoining counties. The Elders were not able, however, to hold many meetings, owing to the ill feeling displayed toward them. On two occasions they fell into the hands of a mob, but, although threats were freely used, they were not subjected to any personal violence. Next Elder Crane proceeded to Virginia, where he labored in nine different counties during another period of nine months. In Virginia the Elders found many good friends, and were generally well received by the people, but there was very little inquiry concerning the Gospel.

Elder Crane was released from his mission on the 19th of May to enable him to return home in consequence of illness in his family.

## Death of Robert Campbell.

Elder Robert Campbell, of the Twelfth Ward, this city, expired at his residence at 2 o'clock a.m. today, June 5th. He was born March 31, 1810, at Cambridge, England, and was therefore in his 81st year. He embraced the Gospel, being baptized by Charles W. Wandall, June 21st, 1838. He came to America in an early day, and was ordained a Seventy in the fall of 1844, by President Joseph Young, was set apart as a quorum president on May 4th, 1851, and he occupied the position of secretary and treasurer for the body of the Seventies for over forty years. He, in bygone days, was recorder of Salt Lake City, and was also at one time chief clerk of the lower branch of the Legislative Assembly. Elder Campbell was a good, honest, devotional man, with faith in God that never failed him, being almost phenomenal. The cause of death was debility superinduced by old age.

The funeral service was held at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday, June 7, at the Twelfth Ward schoolhouse.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 11.—Judge Wallace has dismissed the writ of *habeas corpus* in Kemmler's case, and remands him to the custody of the warden of Auburn prison to be executed by electricity.