

CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Sixtieth Semi-Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will commence at 10 o'clock, on Friday morning, October 4th, 1889, in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City.

The officers and members of the Church are cordially invited to be present at the meetings.

WILFORD WOODRUFF,
GEORGE Q. CANNON,
JOSEPH F. SMITH,
First Presidency.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Edmunds Law Prosecutions.

In the Third District Court Sept. 23 Mr. Moyle asked that the case of unlawful cohabitation against A. E. Hyde be set for trial. It was four years since the indictment was found, and as the defendant was under bonds, it was an inconvenience to him, as his business frequently called him out of the Territory. The court said that no more criminal cases would be set till Judge Zane's return, and Mr. Varian promised to give the Hyde case proper consideration at the next setting of cases.

The case of Michael Stanley of Lewiston, who was arrested on Friday night by Deputy Bowman on the charge of unlawful cohabitation, came before the commissioner on Saturday. He pleaded guilty, and the commissioner bound him over in the sum of \$1,000 and Warlette Rice in the sum of \$100 to await the action of the grand jury.

Sidney Kent, of Lewiston, arrested by Deputy Marshal Bowman on the charge of adultery with Emmeline Horn, was brought before Commissioner Godwin on Friday and the defendant pleaded not guilty. It was testified to by Deputy Bowman that at the time Kent was arrested he was in the house and undressed in the same room occupied by Emeline Horn, alleged to be his plural wife. He was bound over in the sum of \$1,000 to await the action of the grand jury.—*Logan Journal*.

The jury in the case of the United States vs. Otis L. Terry, charged with adultery with his plural wife, came into court about 5 o'clock p.m. September 19, having been out five hours. They reported a verdict of guilty, and recommended Mr. Terry to the mercy of the court. Sentence was set for 10 a.m. next day, but was subsequently postponed till Oct. 2.

In the case of the United States vs. Bedson Eardley, on a similar charge, the prosecution was vigorously pressed by the district attorney.

Henry Dinwoodey was the first

witness. He testified—I have known the defendant for twelve years, and have occasionally visited him at his residence in the Seventh Ward; I met a lady, there known as Mrs. Eardley, but never saw any children about.

A. H. Kelly testified—I am acquainted with the defendant and live next door to him; know Louisa Eardley; have heard the defendant address her as "Ma," while she addressed him as "Pa," she is always referred to by the neighbors as Mrs. Eardley, and is reputed to be his wife.

E. A. Franks testified—I made the arrests in this case; I found the defendant and Mrs. Eardley at their home; he asked me what the charge against him was, and I replied that it was unlawful cohabitation; he said we could not make a case against him now, as he had lived with his first wife ever since he came out of the penitentiary.

Miss Georgina Mather testified—I know Louisa Eardley and Mary A. Holding; the latter lives immediately north of our house; have seen the defendant there recently; Mrs. Holding gave birth to a child three or four months ago; on one occasion, over a year ago, I saw Mr. Eardley around the place at ten or eleven o'clock at night.

John Mather testified—I know Mary Ann Holding; she resides next door to me; Mrs. Holding's youngest child is about three months old; saw the defendant on the place over a year ago; Mary Ann Holding is known as Mrs. Eardley, and her children also bear the name of Eardley.

Mary Ann Holding was called, and Mr. Rawlins asked that the witness be instructed that she need not testify to anything which might criminate herself.

Mr. Varian objected, as there was a statute which protected the witness, and such instruction was not required.

Judge Henderson declined to instruct the witness, who then testified:

I have four children; the youngest was born last March; I was married to Mr. Eardley nearly fourteen years ago; he is the father of my child.

Herbert Van Dam testified: I reside immediately east of the house occupied by the last witness; have known her five or six years; Louisa Eardley and the defendant are reputed to be husband and wife.

Upon the judge's charge the jury rendered a verdict of guilty.

In the case of the United States vs. Mary Ann Holding, fornication, the indictment was dismissed.

United States vs. William Worth, fornication; defendant admitted to bail in the sum of \$100, and released upon his own recognizance.

Released From Prison.

Three "Mormons" were released from the penitentiary Sept. 21. They were Joseph Dean, of Salt Lake City, and Thomas H. Bullock and Bent Pederson, of Weber County. The first named was sentenced to 110 days and a fine of \$200, and the others to four months and \$100 fine

each, all for unlawful cohabitation. They were detained 30 days for the fines.

Andrew Calton Sentenced.

In the Second District Court this morning Andrew Calton, convicted of murder in the second degree, was sentenced to fifteen years at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Andrew J. Schow was also sentenced, for unlawful cohabitation, to six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$300. Mr. Schow gave notice of an appeal and was released upon giving bonds in the sum of \$1500.

All other criminal matters were continued for the term.

BEAVER, U. T., September 20, 1889.

Cases Ignored.

On Sept. 19 the grand jury reported having ignored a number of cases, as mentioned in last evening's News, among which were some charged with larceny and kindred offenses. In view of the fact that petty thefts are becoming of frequent occurrence, people are enquiring of what use it is for the police to make efforts to catch the thieves, when the grand jury will turn them loose again without even being placed on trial. It will not do to say that there was not sufficient evidence to indict, for in some of the cases it is on record that the parties have pleaded guilty when before the justice for preliminary examination. For instance, a man named Sykes was taken up on two charges of obtaining money under false pretenses. The proof was clear against him, and when before the justice he said, "I did it all, but you can't hang me for it." He also remarked that the people whom he got money of were served right, and were fools for trusting him. In the housebreaking cases, also, there was ample evidence before the committing magistrate, and some of the defendants had pleaded guilty. Such proceedings by a jury create a suspicion that there is something unexplained behind it all.

Home from Europe.

Elder Wm. J. Kelson, of the Eleventh Ward, was one of the Elders who returned with the immigrants Sept. 20. He left this city Oct. 10, 1888, and was assigned to the London Conference. He labored in the London, Berkshire, Wiltshire and Portsmouth districts, and was quite successful. He greatly enjoyed his mission, but owing to his ill health it was deemed wise for him not to remain another winter, so he was released.

A Bill.

For the past few weeks a man with suave and insinuating manner has been making his way throughout the country settlements of this county, and possibly to some extent in this city also, peddling something which he claims to be a certain means of preventing lamps from exploding, or their chimneys from breaking, if placed within the