

# SARGENT'S UTAH "SOCIETY PROTECTION" BILL.

In the Senate of the United States,  
JANUARY 9, 1874.

Mr. Sargent asked and, by unanimous consent, obtained leave to bring in the following bill, which was read twice, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed:

## A BILL

FOR THE PROTECTION OF SOCIETY IN THE TERRITORY OF UTAH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any woman now or hereafter holding the relation of spouse or consort, and not that of a lawful wife, to any man who at the time cohabits with another woman as his wife, spouse or consort, may file her petition in the district court of the district in which she resides, asking to be discharged from such relation; and the person to whom she bears the relation aforesaid being made a party thereto, and having notice of such proceeding, the said court may, upon due hearing, adjudge and decree her discharged and freed from such relation as aforesaid, and may adjudge and decree to her the possession and control of her minor child or children, together with such portion of the estate and property of the said man to whom she held the said relation as shall, under all the circumstances, be equitable and just, for the support of herself and minor child or children. And the said court shall cause to be made on the records an entry of such decree, and give to her a declaration of discharge, setting forth briefly the substance of such decree; and upon the entry of such decree the said woman so discharged shall be a femme-sole: *Provided nevertheless*, That nothing in this section contained shall be construed to have the effect of recognizing the validity or legal effect of any dual or plural marriage, or to repeal any laws in relation to divorce; and nothing in this act shall be held to repeal, annul or change any existing laws against polygamy or bigamy otherwise than as the same are modified in regard to evidence admissible by the preceding sections.

SEC. 2. That no alien living in or practicing bigamy or polygamy shall be admitted to citizenship of the United States, and no person living in or practicing bigamy or polygamy shall be entitled to vote or hold office in any Territory of the United States.

SEC. 3. That in all cases of election by ballot, all tickets must be of paper, uniform in size, color, weight, texture and appearance; to be furnished by the Secretary of the Territory, and be paid for out of the territorial treasury; and it shall be unlawful for any person to put any number, figure or device upon said ballot, whereby any person may be enabled to ascertain by whom the ballot was given; and any violation of, or attempt to violate, this provision shall be deemed and taken to be a felony, and upon conviction thereof the person so offending may be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. And at all elections none but citizens of the United States over twenty-one years of age, and who have resided in the Territory four months next preceding, and in the county, precinct, or election district thirty days next prior to the election, shall be qualified to vote.

SEC. 4. That if any person not qualified to vote shall vote, or offer to vote, at any election, or if any qualified voter shall cast, or offer to cast, at any election, more than one vote for the same officer or officers, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof in the district court of the proper district, be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 5. That at any general or special election held in the Territory of Utah, the election-precincts shall be established and designated

at least thirty days before the election. The governor, United States attorney, and secretary of the Territory shall have power to appoint one judge and one clerk of election for each election precinct in the Territory so established, and to establish such additional precincts as may be necessary to secure to the people a free and fair election, and to appoint the judges and clerks of election at such additional precincts.

SEC. 6. That the time limited in the third section of the act of the legislative assembly of Utah, entitled "An act prescribing rules and regulations for the execution of the trust created under the act of Congress entitled 'An act for the relief of inhabitants of cities and towns on the public lands,' approved March , eighteen hundred and sixty-seven," approved February seventeenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, in which the rightful owners or claimants of land within cities and towns of said Territory are required to file the statement prescribed by said act, shall not apply to persons who, at the expiration of said limitation, were either infants, femme-coverts, insane, or in prison, but such persons shall have one year after the removal of their disability in which to file said statement.

SEC. 7. That the following acts and parts of acts passed by the legislative assembly of the Territory of Utah are disapproved and annulled, namely: "An ordinance incorporating the Church of Jesus Christ, of Latter-day Saints," approved February eighth, eighteen hundred and fifty-one; also, the act entitled "An act for the organization of the militia of the Territory of Utah," approved January fifteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and the system of regulations for the present organization and government of the militia of the Territory of Utah, adopted July, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven; also, section three of the act entitled "An act to regulate surveyors and surveying," approved March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-two; also, section five of the act entitled "An act regulating elections," approved January third, eighteen hundred and fifty-three; also section three of the act entitled "An act concerning the property-rights of married persons," approved February sixteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two; also, all resolutions, acts, or parts of acts granting to individuals, associations, or corporations the possessory right to any portion of the public domains as herding-grounds, timber-rights or water-privileges thereon; also, all acts incorporating cities or towns; also, all acts providing for the election, by the legislature, of auditor, treasurer, surveyor-general, and wardens of penitentiary, so far as said acts provide for the election of said officers by the legislative assembly of said Territory, and all of said officers shall be appointed by the governor of said Territory, and subject to removal by him; also, all acts or parts of acts so far as the same are inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

## Correspondence.

The Season—Schools—Improvements.

KAMAS CITY, Summit Co.,  
Jan. 12, 1874.

Editor Deseret News:

I think we can boast, at this season of the year, of having as fine weather as most of our neighboring towns and cities. The snow is only four inches on the level and sleighing is done in wagons. We spent Christmas and New Year's very pleasantly, with the exception of being disappointed in our usual sleigh ride, though the disappointment was a happy one.

Our stock is doing well on the range and if present prospects hold good very little feeding will be done this winter.

We intend building a fine school house next season, size 24x40 feet. It will be built of lumber and well finished, inside and out.

Our day school has an average attendance, and our Sunday school is well patronized.

Health and good feelings prevail, and a good portion of the Spirit of God exists among the people. The Relief Society have a nice building under construction, which is now under cover, size 18x21 feet, built of nice logs, hewn inside and out, though it is intended to weather

board it next season. Our crops were very good last harvest, enough being raised to support home consumption. All that is needed to make a nice and thriving city of Kamas is good and honest Saints and business men, and to all such a general invitation is extended.

GEO. B. LEONARD, P. M.

## WANTED TO THRASH HIM.

The following is a dispatch in the California papers—

"WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. — Don Piatt published a card in the *Capital* this morning saying that he could be found at his office daily, and that when aggrieved persons attempt to call him to account in his own house, such person will be met by the police. It appears that Mr. Piatt made an unwarranted attack on Mrs. Grant's manner of serving on New Year's day in his columns, and it coming to his notice, Lieutenant Fred Grant went to Piatt's residence intending to resent the insult. Piatt sent word by a servant that he was not at home, but could be seen at his office, and Lieutenant Grant retired. Piatt then wrote a note to the Chief of Police stating that he had been menaced by two ruffians armed with loaded guns and asking protection. Two policemen were accordingly detailed to guard Piatt's house. He also stated that one of his assailants was young Grant, and asked for the intercession of the police. In compliance with his request Governor Shepherd was got out of a sick bed to go and see General Babcock. A conference was then held, at which Mrs. Grant and Lieutenant Grant were present; and young Grant finally, at the entreaties of his mother, consented to let the matter drop. He says he didn't intend to shoot Piatt, but to give him a good thrashing."

Foreign Missions.—The following is from the *Millennial Star* of Dec. 30—

"EN ROUTE FOR AUSTRALIA.—Elders A. B. Taylor and William Geddes left us,—the first named on Monday, the 22nd inst., and the latter on Wednesday, the 24th inst.,—for London, from which port they have arranged to sail for Australia, per steamship *Cyphreus*, on the 7th of January next. Elder Geddes, since his arrival in this country from Utah, on the 12th ult., has been visiting his kindred and the Branches in the Glasgow Conference. We have recently appointed him to the Presidency of the Australian Mission, to engage in the duties of which he is now on his way to that distant country. Elder Taylor has, since his arrival in England, on the 26th of May last, been laboring in the Nottingham Conference, from which field of labor he has been called to go to Australia, to labor under the direction of Elder Geddes. We wish these brethren God speed, and the constant protection and blessings of Him on whose service they have left their homes, families and the dear associations of Zion.

"RELEASED TO RETURN HOME.—Elder Joseph Harker is released to return home in consequence of ill-health. Elder Harker arrived with several other missionaries from Utah, on the 12th ult., since which time he has been visiting his relations and former friends. His health is now, however, so poor, that we are under the necessity of releasing him, in order that he may return to Utah, where we hope he will regain his health and strength."

## LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in the Post Office at Salt Lake City, Jan. 16, 1873, which, if not called for within one month, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

### LADIES' LIST.

Brown A M	Grimes M	Player A
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Battle M A	Hatch O	Partridge H
Booth M	Hyde S	Pratt J
Bagley S	Harley N	Peterson S
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	Hoffman M	
Cook E	Johnson B	Reeves C
Cumberland E	Johnson L	Ransell S
Cory E	Johnson N	Red R
Christen G	Johnson N	Rollins S
Cowley J A	Kirby H W	Seal C
Christenson N	Kirby H W	Seal C
Corbett S	Lamy S	Stewart M
Davis L		Sanders M
		Smith A F

Dodge L W	Mackintosh A	Tipple M A
Evans J	Morris H C	Worley B K
Frost E E	Morris M	Worley J M
Flanders H	Mackley S	Wright R
Fisher M E V	McConnell S J	Wiles A
Furmann M M	Nixon M 2	Williams J
Gore A	Osborn S	Young M

## GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

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Anderson J M	Howard G D	Ripley L H
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Anderson T K	Hutchinson S	
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Bishop & T	Hawkes W	
Bears E 2	Hawkes W	Robinson H
Butler A	Hanson P E	Raustrom J W
Bemis A G	Imlay J	Rensom J A
Brockman D	Ide J M	Rumells Jno
Bagley C	Jones J M	Ramsay I
Burghart, H J	Jerome J	Reid J
Bircumshaw M	Jones J M	Rydall A
	Johnson A H	Roews W H
Bullard J R	Jeffries A A	S L Fur Co
Berroe Jno	Jeffries A A	Swane A J
Pyrono P	Jorgensen A	Stone A W 3
Buck S	Jenkins A	Stephenson C
Blake Wm T	Janson G O	Simpson F
Clark & C	Jack T	Simpson H
Chapman Col	Kenney J G	Stringham G
Chapman D	Kerner J	Spencer H
Connors C	Kerner J	Sorenson P
Cottrell C T	Kane W	Svensen Jno
Christopher C	Knott W	Stops J A
Cox E	Lewis J T	Smart N
Cox H W	Lyon Jno	Sibley N L
Case G	Dawson Jas	Sibley R
Covey J	Lucas J	Sosa S
Connely Jno	Lyon Jno 2	Sills T S L
Carroll J C	Livingston M	Schoen W
Clark Jno	Morgan B	Scott W M
Conrad J 2	Misner A	Snell W W
Collett L N	Miller C E	Svars W
Crisman M	Miner D	Smith M B
Cook R W	Munroe G C	Smith B K
Clark S	Manchester H	Smith F
Carlton W		Smith H
Davis J F		Smith S M
Davis D J		Smith A T
Davey W		Smith C F 6
Davis Jno		Twentieth Wd
Dolberg F		Co-op
Dunne J W		Tasael B
Donohue M		Toland F S 2
Duggan W H		Toplin W H 2
Dyer W C		Taylor G E
Dowling W		Taylor G
Evans J C		Terry J E
Elvorr C		Tuckfield J
Emerson C E		Tulligard A
Ely J R 2		Toffigard W S
Edler L 2		Toronto J
Evans R H 2		Taylor S
		Thomas T
Field E J		Whitney Bros
Foss R		Wright & C
Fordonski T		Watton & W
Flaberty Jno		Wright & B
Fife Jno		Wright A
Falkner Wm		Ward C W
		Weeler C V
Groosburg M		Wesburg D
Galsford G M		Wolfe H S
Graves J W		Whitworth J
Gibbs N		Willcox J F
Gibson S		Wilcox J
Gardner T J		Washburn LH
Gray W H		Watchman L
Gibby W		Welsh M
Gibson W E 2		Woodbury N A
Hackett A		Wade W
Hackett B		White R J
Holmes Mr		Wilson W
Hynist A		Woodberry W
Herman C		Worthington S
Holms C		Wetzel W A
Hanson P		Williams C
Hurley E H		Williams W D

Persons inquiring for the above letters are requested to state when advertised.

J. M. MOORE, Postmaster.

## LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in Wells, Fargo & Co's office Jan. 17, 1874.

Bird W	Holland Miss	Myer F
Barley C H	Jacobson A	Palmer H
Evans Maj W	Jones J	Player Mrs A
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Elliott J	Kent A J	Rose Ex-De-
Ensign J C	Lockhart C J	tective
Ellison W H	Lee C G	Schank P
	Masters J	Stode Miss A E
Field E X	Mathews J E 2	Thompson &
Hall Mrs W E	Masters J	Lyubury

## DIED.

In Smithfield, Cache County, Jan. 4, of spinal meningitis, OLA, son of Niels and Boel Nielson, aged 24 years, 8 months and 20 days.

Deceased was born in Sondra Rorum Mal-molan Frostaharad, Sweden, April 14, 1849; emigrated to Utah in 1859, residing here until his death; died in the full faith of the gospel, and left a good, honorable name behind that will be held in remembrance by his aged father and mother and his relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held in the school-house, Jan. 6, before a full house, who were addressed by Bishop Roskelley and others.—COM.

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CLAVERAC,  
Columbia Co., N. Y.

DR. R. V. PIERCE, Buffalo, N. Y.

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MRS. A. W. WILLIAMS

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE in my possession One bay HORSE COLT, one year old last spring, star in forehead, an illegible brand on left thigh. If not claimed before January 25th, 1874, at 1 o'clock p.m., will be sold according to law,  
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