

# Cache Stake Timeline

## 1855

July 20th: **Millville:** Bryant Stringham, under the direction of President Young, and with several others drive several herds of cattle up into the Cache Valley for grazing. They set up their camp at the present site at Millville. [EH p.510; Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward history*. Manuscript LR 4963 22]

## 1856

July 21st: Peter Maughan of Tooele is called to take a colony of saints into the recently organized Cache County by President Brigham Young and is the first Presiding Elder of the settlement. Peter Maughan, his son William H. Maughan, George Bryan, John Tate, Morgan Morgan and Zial Riggs arrived in Cache Valley over the Sardine route. [EH p.105-106; Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward history*. Manuscript LR 4963 22; M.R. Hovey. *First Settlement at Maughan's Fort* (8/4/1923) Accessed 6/27/18.

[http://www.mendonutah.net/history/cache\\_county/08.htm](http://www.mendonutah.net/history/cache_county/08.htm); Peter Maughan. Biographical information, *Peter Maughan papers*. Microfilm MS 3899]

**Sep 17:** settlers arrive in Cache Valley “under the presidency of Bishop P. Maughan.”<sup>1</sup>

September: Site established at what is now Wellsville and was known as Maughan's Fort in honor of Peter Maughan who was called to settle Cache Valley. [EH 105-106, 935-936; Wellsville Ward. *Wellsville Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm Lr 10009 2]

## 1857

**Dec 22:** General bishops meeting includes “Cache Co. Bishop” (unnamed)<sup>2</sup>

**Cache Stake:** “Cache County organized...” [A Brief Sketch of Cache Counties Past. The Logan Republican (Logan, Utah) 1 Jan 1904, page 5.

<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=4753858>]

**Mendon:** first settlers arrive in the area. [EH 488; Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward manuscript history and historical records*. Microfilm LR 5424 2; Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

## 1858

“The Move”. Cache Valley is temporarily abandoned, as the Saints moved to Utah Valley to escape Johnston's Army, although some brethren remain behind to watch over their lands.

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<sup>1</sup> *Cache Valley historical record*, Church History Library LR 1280 64. *This page appears at the end of 1860*

<sup>2</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.220, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/246>

[EH 105-106; Wellsville Ward. *Wellsville Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm Lr 10009 2; S.L and Marie Maughan Wright. *The S.L. Wright and Marie Maughan Wright*. M270 W953s 1991.]

March 12: Move South begins<sup>3</sup>

July: Peter Maughan and others return to the valley. <sup>4</sup>

## 1859

**Logan:** first settlers arrive in Logan. "...Logan city was founded in 1859 by Bishop Preston and John and Aaron Thatcher. Before the founding of Logan, Wellsville or Maughan's Fort had been regarded as the capital of Cache county, but in 1859, after the reorganization of the county, Logan's central location and manifest advantages in every way, caused it to be selected as the county seat."<sup>5</sup>

**Mendon:** Charles Shumway [FS#L55S-15M] is called as temporary Bishop of the ward by Peter Maughan to preside over the settlement. He had as his counselors James G. Willie and Alexander B. Hill [EH 488; Historian's Office Journal, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.279, [https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps\\_pid=IE119628](https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE119628)] *INCORRECT CITATION*; Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward manuscript history and historical records*. Microfilm LR 5424 2. ; Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

**Wellsville:** A High Priest Quorum is organized in the settlement. [Wellsville Ward. *Wellsville Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm Lr 10009 2 ]

April 20th: first settlers arrive in **Providence** area, then called Spring Creek. After a few weeks Bishop Maughan visited the place and had an open air meeting with the people on which occasion Samuel Campbell was appointed President of the Branch. [EH 682] [Providence Ward. *Providence Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 7219 2. ]

May 6th: First 20 families arrive and begin to settle the area on Summit Creek [**Smithfield**]. However, the site is quickly abandoned due to Indian troubles. [EH 789-790, MH] [Smithfield Historical Society. *Smithfield - as a city on a hill a history of Smithfield*. Book 979.212 S664c 2001]

June 14: BY writes "Bishop Peter Maughan,"<sup>6</sup> "I wish you to furnish Bishop Nichols [Box Elder Ward], at such times as you may agree upon, the above named class of tithing from ~~your~~ **wards** the settlements in Cache Valley." *This effectively declares him to be the regional presiding bishop. He is likely not under the authority of Nichols; the latter is just the one assigned to carry the tithing to GSLC.*

July 1st: **Richmond:** First settlers begin to arrive in the area. [MH]

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<sup>3</sup> *Cache Valley historical record*

<sup>4</sup> *Cache Valley historical record*

<sup>5</sup> Henry Ballard. *Henry Ballard Journal*. Church History Library MS 8237 Item 3A; Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 4963 11

<sup>6</sup> Brigham Young, letter to Peter Maughan June 14, 1859, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Correspondence, Outgoing, 1859*. Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/3a4b3c50-07f2-4f14-965a-23f4890f5aac/0/44>

July 3rd: **Logan:** Bishop Maughan called together a meeting in which he appointed a committee to distribute the lands. He also appointed John P. Wright to collect tithing butter and send it to Maughan's Fort. In this meeting he also read a letter which he had received from Brigham Young in which the President appointed him to take general supervision of all settlements in Cache Valley." He appointed a committee of three to govern settlements... A week later "a second meeting was held with John Pannell Wright took charge. On this occasion the ecclesiastical organization was given more attention. The High Priests were organized with David Mille as President; the Seventies chose Ralph Smith as their presiding officer." [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4963 11] [S.L and Marie Maughan Wright. *The S.L. Wright and Marie Maughan Wright*. M270 W953s 1991.]

July 25th: **Wellsville:** The High Priest Quorum President Thomas Green moves to Portage. James Hilfoyle was appointed President of the Quorum in his stead. [Wellsville Ward. Wellsville Relief Society minutes and records. Microfilm LR 10009 14]

Fall: **Millville:** First permanent settlers arrive and begin to form a community. [EH][MH]

October 10th: **Smithfield:** Settlers begin to return to settlement and build it up. John Glover Smith had been ordained as Bishop of the settlement and Summit Creek was renamed Smithfield in his honor. [MH] [Lawrence S. Cantwell. *Smithfield: a place in time: 1859-1920*. Book 979.212 S664 1997]

October 30th: "Peter Maughan according to President Joseph Young's request organized the seventies mass quorum for this side of Cache Valley. Israel J. Clark for President..." [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4963 11]

November 2nd: **Providence:** Elders Orson Hyde and Ezra T. Benson visit and organized the settlement as a ward. Elder Hyde also suggested the name of the settlement instead of Spring Creek and Robert H. Williams was chosen as the first Bishop. [~~Historian's Office Journal, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.279,~~  
~~[https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps\\_pid=IE119628](https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE119628)~~] not mentioned there

November 6th: **Logan:** "The sacrament was administered for the first time in Logan." <sup>7</sup>

November 7?: The First Presidency writes an open letter "to the authorities and members of the Church, Cache Valley" (carried by Hyde and Benson).<sup>8</sup> "Ezra T. Benson and others of the Twelve" are being sent "to organize you into a stake of Zion. Upon your selections and elections, they will ordain a president to preside over all your settlements, and twelve men to compose a high council, and a bishop for each settlement, a settlement, for the present, constituting one ward."

November 9th: Orson Hyde and Ezra T. Benson leave for Cache Valley to organize them.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 4963 11

<sup>8</sup> First Presidency to Cache Valley, November 1859, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.5 p.303, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123/0/648>; the date is not given, but the preceding letter is dated November 7

<sup>9</sup> *Historian's Office Journal*, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.309, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/436e0e99-3fbf-45f6-8035-5cfa3a682fd0/0/312>

November 10<sup>th</sup>: Meeting to organize Cache Valley.<sup>10</sup> Mp:700799 “[we] proceeded to organize the settlements. A president was duly elected by the people, to preside over all the branches or wards in that valley. Six bishops were also ordained and set apart to act in their calling in their several wards. Twelve men were elected by the people to form a High Council and were set apart to their office. A proportionate number from each Ward was elected by the people of those Wards, that an equal representation might be given in the High Council, as nearly as we could ascertain...Maughan’s Fort we named Wellsville. Spring Creek settlement....we named Providence. The next settlement northward had been previously named Logan. The settlement on Summit Creek, six miles south of Logan we named Smithfield...five miles northward from Smithfield is a settlement or Cub Creek, which we named Richmond. The settlement five miles north of Wellsville on the opposite or west side of the valley, heretofore known as the north settlement, we named Mendon....the organization of the stake met with universal and cordial approval of the people.”

November 13: “Organization of Cache Valley Stake of Zion, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> AD 1859.”<sup>11</sup> Mp:700799

- Peter Maughan, Pres. Of the stake
- High council, 3 Wellsville, 4 Logan, 1 Smithfield, 2 Richmond, 1 Providence, 1 Mendon
- Bp. William Maughan, Wellsville
- Bp. William B. Preston, Logan
- Bp. John G. Smith, Smithfield
- Bp. Thomas Tidwell, Richmond
- Bp. Rob’t Williams, Providence
- Bp. Andrew P. Shumway, Mendon

November 13<sup>th</sup>: **Wellsville**: Elders Orson Hyde and Ezra T. Benson visit the settlement and organize the saints at Maughan’s Fort as the Wellsville Ward with William Maughan as Bishop. [EH, MH] [LaRayne B. Christensen, Wilma J. Hall, Ruth H. Maughan, Leesa Cooper. History of Wellsville. Accessed 6/27/18.

<http://www.wellsvillecity.com/about/history/history-of-wellsville/> [S.L and Marie Maughan Wright. The S.L. Wright and Marie Maughan Wright. M270 W953s 1991.] [Peter M. Maughan. Peter M. Maughan history of Wellsville. Microfilm MS 15989]

November 14: **Logan**: Elders “Orson Hyde and E.T. Benson, Lorenzo Snow of the Twelve Apostles and Bishop Peter Maughan organized Logan Ward, appointed, ordained and set apart William B. Preston for Bishop, also ordained Thomas S. Ricks, [?], John Jones, and John Nelson as members of the High Council and Peter Maughan was sustained as President of the Cache Valley.”<sup>12</sup>

Henry Ballard in his journal recorded, “William B. Presston for our Bishop, and...Bishop Peter Maughn was Nominated President of the Whole valley, Six Settlements now Organized...General West from Ogden and others came the Same Day And Organized the Malitia [sic].”<sup>13</sup>

<sup>10</sup> Organization of the Cache Valley Settlements, *Deseret News*, V.9 #39 (30 Nov 1859) p.309, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2589926>

<sup>11</sup> *Cache Stake historical record*, p.1, Church History Library LR 1280 64

<sup>12</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

<sup>13</sup> Henry Ballard. *Henry Ballard Journal*. Microfilm MS 8237 Item 3A, filming 1

November 15th: **Richmond**: Settlement was settled earlier in 1859, but on this date a ward was organized. Thomas Tidwell called as Bishop by Elders Orson Hyde and Ezra T. Benson. Bishop Tidwell immediately appoints teachers and deacons to visit the members of the ward. President of the Teachers Quorum John Blair presided over the ward for a time until Bishop Tidwell moved to the settlement in 1860. [EH, MH][~~Historian's Office Journal, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.279,~~  
~~[https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps\\_pid=IE119628](https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE119628)~~] *not mentioned there*

November 27th: **Wellsville**: A Sunday school is organized in the settlement. [MH] [Peter M. Maughan. Peter M. Maughan history of Wellsville. Microfilm MS 15989]

Nov 27: "At the branch of Wellsville," stake organizes Sunday School and priesthood quorums.<sup>14</sup> *probably Wellsville Ward organizations*. Mentions "this branch of the Church."

November 27: Report from Hyde and Benson when they return to SLC:<sup>15</sup> "Elders Hyde and Benson have organized a **stake in Cache Valley**, The following are the names of the officers selected:-

- Peter Maughan, President of the Stake
- William Maughan, Bishop of Wellsville
- William B. Preston, Bishop of Logan
- John D. Smith, Bishop of Smithfield
- Thomas Tedwell, Bishop of Richmond
- Robt. Williams, Bishop of Providence
- Andrew Shumway, Bishop of Mendon
- NAMES OF HIGH COUNCIL[:] Samuel Mc Murdy, John W. Lusk, John Owens, William Finley, Ebenezer Sanders, John E. Jones, Thomas E. Ricks, John Nelson, Dudley Merrill, Agrippa Cowper, William H. Lewis, J. P. Clifford."

November 28: follow up report:<sup>16</sup> "Elders Hyde & Benson organized a stake with six branches in Cache Valley and gave names to the different settlements."

December 3rd: "President Maughn and the Bishops and High council held a Meeting in council..."<sup>17</sup>

December 19th: Andrew Pearley Shumway "ordained a bishop to preside over **Mendon** in Cache Valley by President Brigham Young"<sup>18</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> *Cache Stake historical record*

<sup>15</sup> *Historian's Office Journal*, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.329,  
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/436e0e99-3fbf-45f6-8035-5cfa3a682fd0/0/332>

<sup>16</sup> *Historian's Office Journal*, Church History Library, CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.331,  
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/436e0e99-3fbf-45f6-8035-5cfa3a682fd0/0/334>

<sup>17</sup> *Henry Ballard Journal*.

<sup>18</sup> Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.294, Church History Library CR 4 2,  
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/317>

## 1860

During this year there were lots of struggles and troubles with the Indians. [Isaac Sorensen.

*Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

**Logan:** Apostles Orson Hyde and Ezra T. Benson organized the Logan settlers apart from the others and designated them as the District of Logan with William B. Preston as the Presiding Elder. Bishop Maughan moves to Logan as Presiding Bishop of Cache Valley and President of the Cache Valley Stake of Zion. [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward history*. Manuscript LR 4963 22][S.L. and Marie Maughan Wright. *The S.L. Wright and Marie Maughan Wright*. M270 W953s 1991.]

**Wellsville:** Settlement reaches 100 inhabitants. [EH]

January 5th: **Logan:** First Sunday School started in Logan.<sup>19</sup>

January 31st: "Brother White the President of the Priest Quorum of the whole church from Box elder And several other Brethren with him the came to teach and instruct us in our Dutys, as we whare [sic] in A new Settlement And in A New Stake of Zion, A evening meeting was called and the Brethren teached us in the before mentioned Dutys laying before us the necessity of sustaining our Bishops and President of Stake..."<sup>20</sup>

Feb 27: Teachers Quorum organized in Logan by Bishop William B. Preston, with quorum president and a president in each ward: 1 Merian Lewis, 2 Henry Ballard, 3 J.B Thatcher, 4 Thomas X. Smith<sup>21</sup> *This page may have been written in 1862, referencing wards created in 1861.*

Spring: **Franklin:** President Brigham Young suggests that settlers go north to the Muddy River, which he later renamed the Cub River due to its proximity to the Bear River. [James Ira Young. *The history and development of Franklin, Idaho during the period 1860-1976*. Master's Thesis. (Provo; BYU Department of History, 1949)]

March 18: Brigham Young buys Ezra T. Benson's mill in Tooele specifically because he is moving to Cache Valley and could use the money more than the distraction.<sup>22</sup> *So he has been called by then.*

March 25: Elder Ezra T. Benson called to move to Logan and preside over the entire Cache Stake along with Bishop Maughan. [Smithfield Historical Society. *Smithfield - as a city on a hill a history of Smithfield*. Book 979.212 S664c 2001][James Ira Young. *The history and development of Franklin, Idaho during the period 1860-1976*. Master's Thesis. (Provo; BYU Department of History, 1949)][Logan 2nd Ward. *Logan 2nd Ward confidential minutes, 1877-1977*. Microfilm LR 4964 10.]

*There is no mention of Benson's call to Cache County in the Historian's Office Journal, January-April 1860, or in Brigham Young's Office Journal*

April: **Hyrum** first settled by the Saints. [EH, MH, CC]

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<sup>19</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

<sup>20</sup> *Henry Ballard Journal*.

<sup>21</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.1, Church History Library LR 1280 11. *This volume is mis-cataloged; it is actually the minutes of the Logan teachers quorum.*

<sup>22</sup> Journal 1858-1863, *Brigham Young Office Files*, p.63, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/59c492be-a813-4f8b-bc88-7cd952c95cdf/0/0>

April 1st: **Paradise:** settlement commenced on the present site of Avon. During the first winter meetings were held and the oldest Elder would preside. Elder Joseph G. Crapo often took charge. The settlement was at first under the Box Elder Stake's jurisdiction, but it was communicated to President Ezra T. Benson and Bishop Maughan they wanted to be under Cache authority. [EH, MH][Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

April 2nd: **Logan:** Peter Maughan moves to Logan and it was recorded, "We built Peter Maughan a log house on his lot and shortly after he moved here from Wellsville as Presiding Bishop of the Cache Valley."<sup>23</sup>

6 April: General bishops meeting includes representatives from the "Cache" Ward.<sup>24</sup>

April 14th: **Franklin:** First settlers arrive in Franklin and William Goforth Nelson wrote, " March 1860 [ his family was moving into Cache Valley]...we found a few families living at Mendon, Wellsville, Logan, Smithfield, and Richmond. I stopped at Richmond, the rest of company came to Coveville (just south of Franklin). I had only been there a few days when Peter Maughan (then President and Presiding Bishop of Cache Valley) came and located the present site of Franklin in a committee of three were appointed to take charge of affairs in Franklin; they were John Sanders, Thomas Smart, Samuel R. Parkinson, but later in the season of the year President Young came to Franklin and set Preston Thomas apart as Bishop...(copied from a document in possession of President Taylor Nelson of the Oneida Stake , a son of William Goforth Nelson, copied Oct. 10, 1921) " (Perkins explains Smart was president with LR Parkinson and Jas Sanderson as counselors) [MH][Source: Joseph T. Perkins. *Joseph T. Perkins Autobiography*. Microfilm MS 9269.]

April 16: **Hyde Park:** a few families settle in the area of Hyde Park with William Hyde. The "place of settlement was recommended by Peter Maughan, Presiding Bishop of that Stake of Zion." [Harold John Kirby. *A brief account of the settlement and early social and economic history of Hyde Park*. (Logan; Utah State University, 1928)][CC]

April 29: Ezra T. Benson and family arrive in Logan<sup>25</sup>

May: **Hyrum:** Elder Ezra T. Benson and Bishop Peter Maughan come and organize the Saints of the new settlement into a ward and name the town Hyrum in honor of Hyrum Smith. They also call Calvin Bingham as Bishop of the new ward.<sup>26</sup> Benson also reports that a committee is leading **Franklin**, and "I have appointed Bro. Wm Hide to take charge of a small place spring up about 4 miles north of this place." [Hyde Park]

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<sup>23</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*; Logan 2nd Ward, *Logan 2nd Ward confidential minutes, 1877-1977*. Church History Library LR 4964 10.

<sup>24</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.305, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/330>

<sup>25</sup> Ezra T. Benson, letter to Brigham Young May 22 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence, Ezra T. Benson*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 38 folder 3, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/71a7b439-b8d5-4887-af61-642ff43d5e43/0/0>; *Cache Stake historical record* LR 1280 64

<sup>26</sup> Ezra T. Benson, letter to Brigham Young May 22 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence, Ezra T. Benson*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 38 folder 3, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/71a7b439-b8d5-4887-af61-642ff43d5e43/0/0>

June 9th: Brigham Young, on his first visit to Cache Valley, organizes **Franklin**, ordains Preston Thomas (who was moving from Lehi to Soda Springs) as bishop.<sup>27</sup> They also preach in Richmond (9th), Logan (10th) and Wellsville (11th). At Franklin, BY says, "I understand that no Bishop has yet been appointed for this place. I would like to learn the feelings of the brethren here, in regard to this matter and will be pleased to have you inform us. (Bishop Maughan moved "that President Brigham Young nominate the man to be Bishop and we say amen." This unanimously met the feelings of the brethren. ~reporter) I propose that br. Preston Thomas be ordained Bishop of this settlement. He is residing in Lehi, but came with us intending to visit Bear River Lake and Soda Springs, but since has concluded to settle her. I propose that he settles here, and that we make him your Bishop and Presiding Officer. It is understood that br. Peter Maughan is Presiding Bishop for this valley and Elder Ezra T. Benson, one of the Twelve, has been appointed to be one of his counselors and probably he will choose me for the other..." [EH, MH][Source: Joseph T. Perkins. *Joseph T. Perkins Autobiography*. Microfilm MS 9269.]

June 27th: **Millville:** Elder Ezra T. Benson and Bishop Peter Maughan visit the settlement and organize a branch of the church there with Joseph Grafton Hovey called as acting Bishop and Presiding Elder. [EH, MH][The Millville History Book Committee. *Millville memories a history of Millville, Utah: from 1860-1990* (Providence Utah; Keith W. Watkins and Sons, Inc, 1990)]

July 1st: **Hyde Park:** A few settlers from Lehi start the settlement and organize a branch on this date. "Bishop William Hyde was chosen 1st Bishop of Hyde Park...who was chosen by Apostel Ezra T. Benson and Peter Maughan then acting Bishop of this valley. Bp. Hyde afterward choosed P.D Griffet as first and Simpson M. Moeln as second counselor."<sup>1</sup> Hyde Park was named in honor of Elder William Hyde. [EH, MH][Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward ward officer record*. Microfilm LR 3991 21. ][Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 3991 14.]

July 16th: **Hyde Park:** E.T. Benson and Peter Maughan visited the place and organized the settlement to be called Hyde Park. Elder Hyde was appointed acting Bishop or presiding Elder. He chose Peterson D Griffith and Simpson M. Molen as counselors. [MH][Harold John Kirby. *A brief account of the settlement and early social and economic history of Hyde Park*. (Logan; Utah State University, 1928)]

July 23rd: **Smithfield:** An Indian raid occurs which encourages the settlers to rebuild the settlement in a fort fashion. [MH]

6 Oct: General bishops meeting includes representatives from "Country Wards," including "Cache Valley."<sup>28</sup> *One ward??*

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<sup>27</sup> Excursion through the Northern Counties, *Deseret News*, V.10 #16 (20 June 1860) p.124, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2584215>; Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1860-1865*, p.45, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/801702bf-e607-4f0d-82d0-e0f84b8c2406/0/50>

<sup>28</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.319, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/346>

October 30th: "Peter Maughan according to President Joseph Young's request organized the seventies mass quorum for this side of Cache Valley. Israel J. Clark for President..."<sup>29</sup>  
December 3rd: **Mendon**: Edward Wood was appointed President of the Elders Quorum. [MH]

## 1861

February 14th: **Paradise**: "Since my return from the Legislature, Bro Maughan and myself have traveled and preached in every Ward in this valley...We have also given a new Settlement, called Paradise, (about six miles south of Hyrum), a temporary organization by appointing Bro David James, acting Bp with instructions to gather ? tithing and pay it into the receiving Office as Bro Maughan intends commencing on Monday first to settle with Bishops and prepare his account for the G. T. Office."<sup>30</sup>

6 Apr: Presiding Bishop's meeting, a rare one with attendance from many "wards" statewide, including the bishop of "Cache"<sup>31</sup>

April 14: "Logan City was divided into 4 wards, namely the first under the charge of Merian Lewis, the second H. Ballard, the third J.B. Thatcher, fourth Thomas X. Smith."<sup>32</sup> *These are not independent congregations, just districts of the Teacher's Quorum. It is unclear if these presidents have authority over members, or just teams of teachers, but they are called "ward presidents" thereafter.*

April 14th: **Logan**: Logan is divided into four wards with acting Bishops or Presidents. Henry Ballard recorded, "the ward was Divided into 4 wards with a President over each ward, Benjamin M. Lewis first ward myself over the Second John B. Thatcher third and Thomas X. Smith fourth ward." William B. Preston is called as the Presiding Bishop of Logan. Street divisions for the wards were 1st North, 2nd West, in which the 1st ward included all the homes in the southeast corner.<sup>33</sup>[Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward history*. Manuscript LR 4963 22][MH]

~~**Logan 3<sup>rd</sup>** acting Bishop is replaced later that year by Thomas Tarbett because he left the settlement soon afterwards. [EH, MH][*Logan 3rd Ward bishops*. Photographs PH 4284.]~~

~~June 30th: **Richmond**: A meeting was held with Elder E.T. Benson and President Peter Maughan where Bishop Tidwell resigns. Marriner W. Merrill is called as Bishop and was ordained a Bishop in September of the same year by President Benson. [EH, MH]~~

1 Aug: David James ordained a High Priest. *Was he ordained bishop of Paradise as well?*

7 Sep: Marriner Wood Merrill ordained bishop of Richmond by Ezra T. Benson<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>29</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

<sup>30</sup> Ezra T. Benson, letter to Brigham Young February 14, 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence, Ezra T. Benson*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 38 folder 3, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b8380ee5-70bd-4ced-8ff9-ab66093318f7/0/0>

<sup>31</sup> Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.335, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/361>

<sup>32</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.11

<sup>33</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes; Henry Ballard Journal; Logan 2nd Ward confidential minutes*.

<sup>34</sup> Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.349, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/375>

7 Oct: General bishops meeting includes representation from the “Cache Valley” “ward.”<sup>35</sup> *This does not necessarily indicate a single ward, may have just been that the representatives did not differentiate wards in Cache Valley*

## 1862

**Coveville:** outgrowth of the Richmond ward when the first settlers arrive. [MH]

**Paradise:** High Priest quorum established. [Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

April 7: General bishops meeting includes Bishop of “Cache Valley” Ward<sup>36</sup>

June: James B. Thatcher is replaced as president of Logan 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward by Thomas Tarbett sometime between May 26 and June 22.<sup>37</sup>

October 6: Presiding Bishops Meeting includes the bishop of Logan<sup>38</sup>

October 22nd: **Logan:** Conference held with President Brigham Young present.<sup>39</sup>

November 30th: **Smithfield:** Samuel Roskelley “was called on by Prest. E.T. Benson and P. Maughan (by advice of Prest. B. Young) to act as Bishop at Smithfield in place of John G. Smith and was ordained and set apart the same day...visited the settlement (Smithfield) on Sundays and Thursday evenings to attend meetings” [EH][Samuel Roskelley. *Samuel Roskelley : papers and temple records, 1862-1962 (bulk 1862-1906)*. Hardcopy COLL MSS 65. Utah State University]

December 7th: **Smithfield:** Bishop Roskelley organizes a Teachers Quorum in Smithfield.

June: James B. Thatcher is released from Logan teachers quorum (and as president of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward?).<sup>40</sup>

## 1863

**Hyde Park:** The Young Men’s Lyceum, later called the Young Men’s Institute founded “for the purpose of developing the reasoning faculties of the young men that they might be able to defend the Gospel...”[Harold John Kirby. *A brief account of the settlement and early social and economic history of Hyde Park*. (Logan; Utah State University, 1928)][Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 3991 14.]

**Logan 5th:** After the completion of the canal people began to settle in the 5th Ward boundaries and within that year the Ward was organized. Elder Bengt P. Woolfenstein was appointed by

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<sup>35</sup> Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.351, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/377>

<sup>36</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.6, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

<sup>37</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.23-24

<sup>38</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.19, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

<sup>39</sup> President Young’s Trip North, *Deseret News*, V.12 #18 (29 October 1862) p.140, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2592908>

<sup>40</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.26

**President Benson to preside over that area as Bishop.**<sup>41</sup> MH says the canal and settlement was not until 1864, ward in 1865

Spring: **Millville:** George O. Pitkin is called as Bishop of the Ward when Bishop Hovey is called to go to Salt Lake City as a stone cutter. Bishop Pitkin is not ordained until 1864.[EH, MH] [The Millville History Book Committee. *Millville memories a history of Millville, Utah: from 1860-1990* (Providence Utah; Keith W. Watkins and Sons, Inc, 1990)]

March: **Franklin:** Bishop Thomas is succeeded by Lorenzo H. Hatch [of Lehi] as Bishop of the Ward because of his call to go to Bear Lake. Lorenzo Hatch records, "The last of March 1863 I was appointed By Pres Young to remove to Cache Valey to act as Bishop of Franklin in the place of Preston Thomas..." [Lorenzo Hill Hatch. *Lorenzo Hill Hatch reminiscences and diaries*. Microfilm MS 1480 1-8]

April 26: Lewis Ricks called to preside in Logan 1<sup>st</sup> Ward<sup>42</sup>

August 13: Salt Lake City Bishops meeting includes the bishop of Franklin<sup>43</sup> *Apparently, in town to be ordained*

August 21: Brigham Young and other leaders hold conference in Logan with about 2,000 in attendance.<sup>44</sup> One of the main themes was apparently reprimanding the saints for selling their grain to the miners in Montana at reduced prices. Instead, he preached that extra grain should be saved for times of need. He "endeavored to show them the propriety of regulating the prices of the grain they raise, and making speculators pay a good price for all the grain they got from them."

August 23: Brigham Young meets in council with general and local leaders.<sup>45</sup> "It was decided that Preston Thomas and others be at liberty to make a settlement on the other side of Cub River." *This is the public story*

August 23: In the actual account of this meeting,<sup>46</sup> they are actually deciding to settle Bear Lake Valley under the leadership of Charles C. Rich. Brigham Young wants it kept secret until the first company leaves; he is afraid that if word gets out, Abraham Lincoln will declare the valley an Indian reservation just to spite the Mormons.

August: **Providence:** Bishop Robert H. Williams is called to go help settle the Bear Lake Valley along with others of the Cache Valley. Crandall Dunn is called to replace him for a time. [EH, MH]

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<sup>41</sup> Logan 5th Ward. *Logan 5th Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 4967 11

<sup>42</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.29

<sup>43</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.25, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

<sup>44</sup> *Historian's Office Journal*, V.27 1863-1864, p.115, Church History Library CR 100 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/c480ff1c-d38f-4aca-9aa0-79c3e06a29c2/0/119>; President Young's Trip North, *Deseret News*, V.13 #7 (2 Sep 1863), p.45 <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2596344>

<sup>45</sup> *Historian's Office Journal*, V.27 1863-1864, p.116, Church History Library CR 100 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/c480ff1c-d38f-4aca-9aa0-79c3e06a29c2/0/120>

<sup>46</sup> Logan, Ezra T. Benson house, 1863 August 23, *General Church Minutes*, 1863 April-November, Church History Library CR 100 318. <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e23d3410-b968-4be4-a33c-ae6ff5b9a1b3/0/15>

August: **Hyrum**: Bishop Calvin Bingham called to go to Bear Lake and Ola N. Liljenquist was chosen as Bishop of this ward as early as August of 1863. He was set apart and ordained by Pres. Brigham Young with no counselors. [MH]

September: **Franklin**: Bishop Hatch records, "I arrive safe and was ordained Bishop of Franklin in a few days after by Pres. E.T. Benson..." [Lorenzo Hill Hatch. *Lorenzo Hill Hatch reminiscences and diaries*. Microfilm MS 1480 1-8]

November 20: Neils Hanson replaces Lewis Ricks as president in Logan 1<sup>st</sup> Ward. <sup>47</sup>

## 1864

**Hyrum**: Bishop Bingham leaves the Cache Valley on another colonizing mission and Ola N. Liljenquist was called as Bishop. [EH]

**Oxford/ Stockton**: William G. Nelson called to go to Round Valley to preside over settlements of Stockton and Oxford. [Franklin Ward. *Franklin Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 2994 2.]

**Providence**: Bishop William Budge is called to preside over the ward and settlement, which he does without counselors. [EH, MH]

Jan 25?: A dispute between two people in the Logan 4<sup>th</sup> Ward is "referred to Bro. T.X. Smith for settlement." <sup>48</sup> *This suggests that these ward presidents are more than just teacher supervisors.*

February 26th: President E.T. Benson leaves for a special mission for the Sandwich Islands. <sup>49</sup>

April: **Paradise**: Petersburg was founded and named in honor of Bishop Maughan. [Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

Summer: **Clarkston**: under the direction of Ezra T. Benson the settlement founded and dedicated. Isaac J. Clark is called as Presiding Elder. [EH, MH] [Ole A. Jensen. *Ole A. Jensen reminiscences and diary*. Microfilm MS 666.] [Ben J. Ravsten, Eunice P Ravsten. *History of Clarkston: The Granary of Cache Valley*. Book M277.9212 C613r]

June: President Ezra Benson returns from his mission to Hawaii (Sandwich Islands). <sup>50</sup>

June: **Smithfield**: the settlement divided into five Teachers districts. [MH]

July: Group sent out to explore options for possible settlements in the north end of the Cache Valley. [EH 526-527]

July 2nd: **Clifton**: Relief Society is organized with Sister Maughan present. [Clifton Ward. *Clifton Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 1789 14 (100005087898)]

Fall: **Oxford**: several settler families arrive near area. [EH]

Fall: **Weston**: Marriner W. Merrill and others delegated by Cache authorities to scout out on the west side of Bear River. Settlers are soon called to the region. [MH]

October 23rd: **Mendon**: Teacher's Quorum reorganized with Allen Baker called as President in an effort to increase faithfulness among the members. [Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 5424 11 ]

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<sup>47</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.36

<sup>48</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.40

<sup>49</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*

<sup>50</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*

Dec 4: Teachers called to serve in the “Bench District” in Logan (future 5<sup>th</sup> Ward)<sup>51</sup>  
Dec: **Providence Ward** teachers quorum minutes mention Bishop Budge.<sup>52</sup>

## 1865

**Mound Valley (Gentile Valley):** Settlers begin arriving in the Gentile Valley, which was primarily settled by non-LDS settlers who said the valley was not for Mormons.[EH, MH]  
**Paradise:** Sunday School started in the settlement. [MH][Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

25 Feb: GPB Edward Hunter writes Provo PB William Miller, mentions “Cash Valley, Prest P. Maughan & Bp. Preston”<sup>53</sup>

Spring: **Weston:** settlers arrive and commence the settlement. Christopher Funk was called to be the Presiding Elder of the new settlement even before it was settled. The town was named by President Benson. [EH, MH][Thomas E. Rose. *Thomas E. Rose history of Weston, Idaho*. Microfilm MS 577]

Spring: first settlers on the Logan bench (future 5<sup>th</sup> Ward) [Logan 5 MH]

Spring: BM Lewis seems to have returned as president of Logan 1<sup>st</sup> Ward<sup>54</sup>

May: President Brigham Young and company visit Cache Valley for a two days’ meeting<sup>55</sup>

May 18th: Bishop W.B Preston and others from the Logan settlement begin their journey to go and serve as missionaries in Europe.<sup>56</sup>

Summer: **Oxford:** More settlers arrive in area and begin to build the settlement of Oxford. Settlements of Clifton and Stockton move into the ward. William G. Nelson was called by President Brigham Young from Franklin to preside over the settlement. Sunday School organized. [EH, MH][Oxford Ward. *Oxford Ward general minutes*. Hardcopy LR 6649 11] [Cloe Amelia Boyce Rogers. *Pioneer histories of Oxford, Idaho*. Microfilm MS 3519 2]

August: **Mendon:** Henry Hughes called as President of Teacher’s Quorum. [Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 5424 11 ]

Autumn: Bengt Wolfenstein appointed president of new Logan 5<sup>th</sup> Ward by Ezra T. Benson [MH]

Nov 22: first mention of Logan 5<sup>th</sup> Ward in Teachers quorum minutes.<sup>57</sup> *Reported by David James but not clear if he is president*

Dec 7: A. Milton Musser returns from a visit to Cache Valley, including “the new settlements of Oxford and Weston.”<sup>58</sup> The local sheriff claims they are in Oneida County, Idaho Territory [they are] and that taxes are owed.

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<sup>51</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.49

<sup>52</sup> Teachers Quorum minutes, *Providence Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.1, Church History Library LR 7219 #11

<sup>53</sup> Edward Hunter, letter to William Miller, 25 Feb 1865, *Provo Stake Presiding Bishops’ Records, William Miller file, 1862-1866*, p.19, Church History Library LR 9629 21

<sup>54</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.51

<sup>55</sup> A. Milton Musser, *Diary 1865 Jan-Jun*, p.28, Church History Library MS 8140 box 1 folder 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b1eb0af6-2c7f-4a7a-ab5a-83e99437fee/0/31>

<sup>56</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*

<sup>57</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.59

<sup>58</sup> A. Milton Musser, *Diary 1865 Sep-1868 Jan*, p.30, Church History Library MS 8140 box 1 folder 12, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/a769d501-cc29-4d8d-a6bf-6e42a09eb3a5/0/33>

First settlers at the Bear River ferry in northern Cache Valley (**Bridgeport**) This settlement was two and a half miles northeast [northwest?] of Preston on the Bear River.<sup>59</sup>

## 1866

**Clarkston:** Settlement briefly abandoned due to Indian troubles at the advice of President Young. [MH]

**Logan 2nd:** Sunday School organized. [MH]

**Millville:** first Sunday School commences. [MH]

**Providence:** Sunday School organized. [MH]

**Weston:** settlement is temporarily abandoned due to Indian troubles. [MH]

Spring: **Oxford:** Settlement is temporarily abandoned due to the threat of Indians. [EH]

April 2nd: **Smithfield:** Evan N. Greene is called as President of the High Priests quorum by Bishop Roskelley.[Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 13]

April 5: General bishops meeting resumes after a few years hiatus.<sup>60</sup> Ward reps include “bishop” of “Cache County.”

April 22nd: **Smithfield:** First Sunday School is organized in the settlement after a discussion occurs between Francis Sharp and Bishop Roskelley in late March. This discussion was continued and expanded upon in a teachers quorum meeting on the 1st of April. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Sunday School minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 15]

May 9: Report to PB Edward Hunter from “Bishop Peter Maughan” of “Cache Valley Ward,” mentions “the different wards,” and lists Richmond, Smithfield, Wellsville, Logan, Clarkston, Oxford, Franklin, Hyde Park, Providence (Bishop William Budge), Millville, Hyrum, Paradise, Mendon<sup>61</sup>

May 13: Report of Logan ward presidents: B.M. Lewis (1<sup>st</sup> again?), H. Ballard (2<sup>nd</sup>), T. Tarbit (3<sup>rd</sup>), T.X. Smith (4<sup>th</sup>), Bent Wolfenstien (5<sup>th</sup>?)<sup>62</sup>

Summer: **Franklin:** Sunday School begins.[MH]

**Logan 1st:** first Sunday School commences in the city. [MH]

September 8-9: Brigham Young and company hold two days meeting in Logan.<sup>63</sup>

Sept 20: Logan teachers quorum reorganized, with Thomas X. Smith as president.<sup>64</sup> Unclear how wards continue or who replaces Smith as 4<sup>th</sup> Ward president (maybe Hans Monk?).

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<sup>59</sup> Clarence Glenn Judy. A history of Preston, Idaho (Provo; BYU Department of History, 1961)

<sup>60</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.94, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

<sup>61</sup> *Perpetual Emigrating Fund Company outfitting reports, 1866*, Church History Library CR 376 13 box 1 folder 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/bcab9456-856e-42cb-be14-d329d5b5bc37/0/0>

<sup>62</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.68

<sup>63</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1865-1872*, p.32, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/0c76d480-00aa-4210-9334-12a578908f1f/0/38>

<sup>64</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.72

## 1867

**Franklin:** Sunday School begins. [MH]

**Paradise:** due to danger from the Indians the settlers move the settlement, including many of the materials for their homes three miles north to the present site. The settlement absorbed a site previously known as Peterburg. David James continues as Bishop. (Other source says 1868) [EH, MH][Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

**Petersboro:** settlers arrive in the area near a spring on the Bear River, but there doesn't appear to be any ecclesiastical organization. It was part of the Mendon ward.[EH, MH]

January 10: At Presiding Bishop's meeting, "Bishop Maughan" of "Cache Valley" reports.<sup>65</sup>

Spring: **Clarkston:** Israel J. Clark is called to go to Logan to act as an Indian interpreter, and his son Jesse Clark is appointed to take charge of the settlement.[EH,MH][Ben J. Ravsten, Eunice P Ravsten. *History of Clarkston: The Granary of Cache Valley*. Book M277.9212 C613r]

March: **Hyde Park:** Sunday school organized. [MH][Harold John Kirby. *A brief account of the settlement and early social and economic history of Hyde Park*. (Logan; Utah State University, 1928)][Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 3991 14.]

April 25th: "Weston Ward or Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was organized by Bp Peter Maughan, John Maughan appointed President and Warren Hooper and Neils Georgsen assistants." [EH, MH]

Summer: Separate Sunday schools organized in Logan wards [Logan 3 MH]

Fall: **Clarkston:** Jesse Clark is released when branch was made into a ward with W.F. Littlewood (in manuscript history says William F. Rigby) as bishop from Wellsville. [EH, MH] [Clarkston Ward. *Clarkston Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 1745 11.][Source: Ole A. Jensen. *Ole A. Jensen reminiscences and diary*. Microfilm MS 666.] [Ben J. Ravsten, Eunice P Ravsten. *History of Clarkston: The Granary of Cache Valley*. Book M277.9212 C613r]

September 6-9: Brigham Young and company hold meetings at Wellsville, Logan (where Joseph F. Smith is first sustained as an Apostle to replace Amasa Lyman, although he had been ordained a few months earlier), Hyde Park, Smithfield, Richfield, Franklin<sup>66</sup>

November 7: First meeting in **Clarkston** ward minutes. Mentions Bishop W. H. Littlewood<sup>67</sup>

November 27th: **Clarkston:** Bishop Littlewood (Rigby?) proposed the organization of the priesthood and organizes the Elders Quorum. The Sunday School is also organized and the ward is divided into four "wards" or teachers districts.<sup>68</sup>

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<sup>65</sup> *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.117, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

<sup>66</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1865-1872*, p.88, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/0c76d480-00aa-4210-9334-12a578908f1f/0/94>

<sup>67</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.1, Church History Library LR 1745 11, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/7>

<sup>68</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/8>

1868

**Five Mile Creek (Dayton):** first settlers arrive and the settlement is an outgrowth of Weston. It was also known as Franklin Meadows. It was originally called Five Mile Creek and later Chadville. [EH, MH]

January 4th: **Richmond:** A Relief Society is organized in the settlement. [MH]

April 22nd: **Franklin:** Relief Society is organized. [MH]

April 25: First of 20 years of leadership directories published in newspapers, listing “bishops and acting bishops of the settlements.”<sup>69</sup>

- Cache County, Peter Maughan Pres’g Bishop
- Oxford, William G. Nelson (acting)
- Weston, Christopher Funk (acting)
- Clarkston, M. Littlewood
- Franklin, Lorenzo H. Hatch
- Richmond, Marriner W. Merrill
- Smithfield: Samuel Roskelley
- Hyde Park: William Hyde
- Logan: Peter Maughan
- Providence: William Budge
- Millville: George O. Pitkin
- Hyrum: O.N. Liljenquist
- Paradise: David James
- Wellsville: William Maughan
- Mendon: Andrew P. Shumway

May 9th: **Hyrum:** Relief Society organized. [Hyrum Ward. *Hyrum Ward Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4009 12 ]

May 12th: **Smithfield:** Bishop Samuel Roskelley organizes the Relief Society and calls their new president. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch general minutes*. Microfilm LR 8359 11.] [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Relief Society minutes and records, 1868-1906, Volume 1, 1868-1878*. Digital Image LR 8359 14]

May 18th: **Logan** Relief Society organized by President Ezra T. Benson, Bishop Peter Maughan and Bishop Wm. Hyde. [MH] [Cache Stake Relief Society. *Logan Utah Cache Stake Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 1280 14.]

May 22nd: **Hyde Park:** A Relief Society was organized in the settlement. [Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 3991 14.]

May 23rd: **Logan 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th:** At a special meeting held in Logan, Relief Societies were organized in the various wards. All of the Relief Societies appear to have been under the jurisdiction of the 1st Ward Relief Society. Prest. Brigham Young and a number of the Twelve were also there. [MH]

May 25th: **Millville:** A Female Relief Society is organized. [MH][Millville Ward. *Millville Ward Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 5589 16]

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<sup>69</sup> Church Directory, *Salt Lake Daily Telegraph*, V.4 #253 (25 April 1868) p.4

May 27th: **Providence**: A Relief Society organized in which Bishop William Budge “read an article written by Eliza R. Snow concerning the organizing of Relief Societies throughout the Church...” [Providence Ward. *Providence Ward Young Men’s Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 7219 16.]

May 28th: **Mendon**: A Relief Society is organized in the settlement. [MH]

July 11th: **Wellsville**: A branch of the Relief Society was organized in the settlement. [MH]

July 12th: **Smithfield**: “Pres. E.T. Benson preached in the school house...” [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 13]

August: **Logan**: President Brigham Young organizes a school of the Prophets in Logan. <sup>70</sup>

August 9th: **Logan**: President Joseph Young (President of the 70s) preaches there in Logan. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 13]

August 16th: **Clarkston**: Relief Society organized. <sup>71</sup>

August 23rd: **Logan**: “Pres. Brigham Young and a number of the Twelve Apostles were at Logan holding conference.” <sup>72</sup>

September 6th: Moses Thatcher and Bishop Preston return from their mission to Europe. <sup>73</sup>

## 1869

Mary Ann Maughan became president of the Relief Society in the valley. [S.L and Marie Maughan Wright. *The S.L. Wright and Marie Maughan Wright*. M270 W953s 1991.]

**Clarkston**: Sunday school established. [Clarkston Ward. *Clarkston Ward Sunday School minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 1745 15]

**Clifton**: A Sunday School is started in the settlement. [MH]

**North Lewiston (Fairview)**: first settlement started. [EH]

**Paradise**: Bishop James called John P. Wright and Henry Jackson as counselors. [Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

January 29th: **Logan 1st**: Priests quorum begins meeting. [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4963 12.]

February: **Newton**: meeting held at the site of Newton, which was presided over Bishop Littlewood (in manuscript history it says William Fredrick Rigby), to discuss moving the townsite of Clarkston to Newton due to the unfavorable snow levels of Clarkston. First settlers begin to arrive and begin to hold meetings in local homes under the direction of Janas Beck, who was under Bishop Littlewood (Rigby) during the winter of 1869-1870. [EH, MH]

Spring: **Clifton**: first settlers arrive and organize a branch of the church with William Jared Pratt called as Presiding Elder, who acted without counselors under the direction of William G. Nelson of the Oxford ward until 1876. [EH, MH]

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<sup>70</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

<sup>71</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.24, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/31>

<sup>72</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

<sup>73</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*.

March (Feb?) 14: President Peter Maughan, Bishop W.B. Preston visit **Clarkston**, propose to move the city 5 miles south and rename it Newton.<sup>74</sup> *In the end, Clarkston stays and Newton is settled*

March 19th: "Meeting was [?] in the school house of Oxford for the purpose of organizing a female Relief Society. Present Bp Musser of SLC, Bp Maughan of Logan, Bp Nelson of Oxford and Sister Mary Ann Maughan of Logan..." [Oxford Ward. *Oxford Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 6649 14] [Dwight William Jensen. *A rough country and a rugged people a history of Oxford, Idaho*. (Cazenovia, New York; 2001). 979.6 J54r 2001.]

May: **Smithfield:** "Bp Peter Maughan General Fox (the territorial surveyor) address the [Sunday] schools. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Sunday School minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 15]

May 30th: **Clarkston:** A Teachers Quorum is organized.<sup>75</sup>

June 12th: **Paradise:** "Meeting held for the purpose of organizing a branch of the female relief society..." Bishop James ordained the President of the Relief Society. Sister Maughan was present at the meeting. [Paradise Ward. *Paradise Ward Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 6733 12]

June 20th: **Mendon:** Bishop Andrew Shumway and Charles Shumway are called to serve missions in Europe in the Conference. After their departure Henry Hughes was called by President Ezra T. Benson and Bishop Peter Maughan to preside over the ward as acting bishop. Ralph Forester is called to replace him as Teachers Quorum President. [Jenson, Andrew. *Encyclopedic History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints* (Salt Lake City: Deseret News, 1941), 488] [Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward manuscript history and historical records*. Microfilm LR 5424 2. ] [Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

June 23: a report letter from Franklin mentions the status of Cache Valley in general, mentioning several leaders:<sup>76</sup> mp:700800

- "Presidents Benson and Maughan" at Logan
- Franklin, "Working Bishop" Hatch
- Smithfield, Bishop Samuel Roskelly
- Richmond, Bishop Merrill
- Wellsville, Bishop Wm. Maughan
- Hyde Park, Bishop Wm. Hyde
- Providence, Bishop Wm. Budge
- Millville, Bishop George O. Pitkin
- Hyrum, Bishop O.N. Liljenquist
- Paradise, Bishop David James
- Mendon, Bishop Henry Hughes

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<sup>74</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.32, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/38>

<sup>75</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.39, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/45>

<sup>76</sup> Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.18 #20 (23 June 1869) p.229, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2603261>

- Newtown, Bishop Wm. F. Littlewood [includes Clarkston?]
- Weston, Bishop John Maughan
- Oxford, Bishop J.W. Nelson
- *Clarkston not mentioned*

June 23: Conference at Logan, Brigham Young and other church leaders present.<sup>77</sup> No sustainings mentioned, no mention of E.T. Benson, Peter Maughan or other local leaders

July 2nd: Clifton: A Relief Society was organized. [MH]

September 3rd: President Ezra Taft Benson suddenly dies while on business in Ogden.<sup>78</sup> “After the death E. T. Benson, Bro. Peter Maughan was acting President over this stake of Zion...”<sup>79</sup> [Lorenzo Hill Hatch. Lorenzo Hill Hatch reminiscences and diaries. Microfilm MS 1480 1-8]

October: Smithfield: Prest. Greene of the High Priests called on a mission and James J. Cadwell was appointed to preside in his place. [Smithfield Branch. Smithfield Branch Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records. Microfilm LR 8359 13]

~~October 7th: Mendon: Bishop Hughs was regularly ordained to the office of a Bishop by Pres. Brigham Young. [MH] this is actually October 7, 1872~~

November 18: Bishop Maughan reports on his recent visit to the northern end of the valley.<sup>80</sup> “organized a branch of the Church at Bear River Bridge [*brand new*] north of Franklin which we named ‘**Bridgeport**,’ appointed Bro. Joseph Nelson to preside...” “Appointed Bro Edwin Hepworth acting Bishop at **Oxford**, Bp Wm G. Nelson having gone on his mission...” Also mentions “Bp. Tarbitt” of the **3<sup>rd</sup> Ward**.

December 1: Robert Davidson appointed as president of the Logan 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward.<sup>81</sup>

December 6th: Wellsville: A Teacher’s Quorum is organized in the settlement. [MH]

December 21st: Weston: The High Priest Quorum of Weston is organized. [Weston Ward. Weston Ward Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records. Microfilm Lr 10120 13.][Weston Ward. Weston Ward Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records ]

## 1870

*Cornish*: first settlers arrive in Cornish and is part of the Trenton Branch. [MH]

*Mound Valley (Gentile Valley)*: People begin to refer to Mound Valley as Gentile Valley due to the increase in settlement of non-members. [Thatcher Ward. *Gentile Valley the first 100*

<sup>77</sup> Minutes of a Conference, *Deseret News*, V.18 #22 (July 7 1869) p.256, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2603366>

<sup>78</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1865-1872*, p.195, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/0c76d480-00aa-4210-9334-12a578908f1f/0/201>; Sudden Death of Elder Ezra T. Benson, *Deseret News*, V.18 #31 (8 Sep 1869) p.366, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2603812>

<sup>79</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes. Logan 2nd Ward confidential minutes.*

<sup>80</sup> Peter Maughan, letter to Brigham Young November 18, 1869, *Brigham Young office files*, General Correspondence, incoming, General Letters, Ma-Mi 1869. Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 33 folder 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/616dbaeb-9733-4c98-a04b-5f2c1507a96a/0/0>

<sup>81</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.117

years: *a gem of a valley* (Salt Lake City; Publishers Book Services, 1993). M277.96 G338 2006.]

**Mendon:** A School of the Prophets is organized in Mendon. [Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

January 5th: **Newton:** Sunday school organized. [Newton Ward. *Newton Ward Sunday School minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 6075 15. ]

January 26: Reports of Logan ward presidents: BM Lewis (1<sup>st</sup>), Henry Ballard (2<sup>nd</sup>), Robert Davidson (3<sup>rd</sup>), Thomas X. Smith (4<sup>th</sup>?), Bent Wolfenstein (5<sup>th</sup>)<sup>82</sup> *During this time, this record frequently refer to "Bishop Preston" and "President Maughan" but never calls these ward presidents "bishops."*

Spring: **Providence:** Bishop William Budge is called to serve as Presiding Bishop of Bear Lake Stake and left during the spring. Matthew Hopkins is appointed to preside as acting bishop. [EH, MH]

March 17th: **Trenton:** First settlers arrive in Trenton and begin the settlement and Andrew McCombs as Presiding Elder. [EH, MH]

June 12th: **Clarkston:** "Bishop W.F. Littlewood addressed the brethren on the subject of president youngs visit to Clarkston and also on the counsel he gave the saints here...President Young and party had visited with Clarkston and had given permission to stay..."<sup>83</sup>[Clarkston Ward. *Clarkston Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 1745 11.]

June 20-22: Brigham Young and other leaders hold meetings in Franklin, Richmond, Smithfield, Logan (President Peter Maughan), Providence (Bishop Wm Budge)<sup>84</sup>

Summer: **Newton:** Ward organized and Bishop Littlewood (Rigby) is called as the first bishop of the ward. [EH, MH] *Littlewood was one of those who actually moved from Clarkston to Newton.*

Summer: **Oxford:** Bishop Nelson returns from his mission and resumes his duties. [MH] [Dwight William Jensen. *A rough country and a rugged people a history of Oxford, Idaho*. (Cazenovia, New York; 2001). 979.6 J54r 2001.]

July 8th: **Lewiston:** First settlers arrive and set up settlement that was at first known as, First known as "Starvation Corner, Poverty Flat, Hardscrabble". [EH, MH][Virginia T. Van Orden. *How a town was built: all about Lewiston*. M277.9212 V272h 2009.]

July 10th: **Clarkston:** "Public meeting commenced...President Peter Maughan called a special meeting... and released W.F. Littlewood as Bishop of Clarkston and appointed Br. Simon Long Smith to succeed him."<sup>85</sup>

July: **Whitney:** first settlers arrive in Whitney. [EH]

Fall: **Providence:** Milton D. Hammond is called as Bishop. [MH]

Fall: **Benson:** settlers first arrive and it was an outgrowth of the Hyde Park Ward and is known as the Bear River District. [EH, MH]

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<sup>82</sup> *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.119

<sup>83</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.58, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/64>

<sup>84</sup> Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.18 (1870) p.188, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/1573a522-d4df-415d-a5db-a39eb319f058/0/187>

<sup>85</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.59, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/65>

## 1871

**Benson:** settlers begin to arrive and was originally known as "Bear River District". George Thomas is the first Presiding Elder. [Alice S. Cardon. *This is Benson, Cache County, Utah--it's history and people* (Unique printing, 1982). M277.9212 B47c 1982]

**Coveville:** settlement founded by Robert Gregory. [EH]

**Mound Valley (Gentile Valley):** Many Latter Day Saint families move into the Gentile Valley. [EH,MH]

**Newton:** With the completion of the bridge across the Bear River, many more people move to the settlement. [EH]

**Oxford:** Bishop Nelson is released due to his call to go to Arizona and George D. Lake is called as Bishop of the Ward. [EH, MH] [Dwight William Jensen. *A rough country and a rugged people a history of Oxford, Idaho*. (Cazenovia, New York; 2001). 979.6 J54r 2001.]

**Petersboro:** Charles W. Maughan was first settler near "Four Mile Spring". [EH]

**Worm Creek (Preston):** first settlers arrive in the area at a place called North Meadows on the east side of Worm Creek. [EH, MH] [Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

Spring: **Mink Creek:** First settlers arrive at Mink Creek (some discrepancies between the various histories some say settlers arrive in 1872, 1873) [Jenson, Andrew. *Encyclopedic History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints* (Salt Lake City: Deseret News, 1941), 513-514] [Mink Creek Ward. *Mink Creek Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 5605 2.] [Elma W. Keller. *A history of Mink Creek, Idaho*. (Logan; Logan Herald Journal, 1956). M277.96 K29h 1956] [Viola Barlow Larsen. *Mink Creek Idaho Ward, 1871-1976*. M277.96 L334m 1976.]

April 24th: **President Maughan died**, which led Bishop W.B. Preston to act as Presiding Bishop of the Cache Valley and the Stake. Lorenzo Hatch records, " [his death] effected the valey very much. Greate respect was showne to him by the Saints and Lamanites of this stake of Zion. Bp WB Preston has acted in that capactiy during the last year."<sup>86</sup> [EH] [John Y. Greene. *John Y. Greene diary*. Microfilm MS 1787.] [Lorenzo Hill Hatch. *Lorenzo Hill Hatch reminiscences and diaries*. Microfilm MS 1480 1-8]

Obituary of Peter Maughan: "He was, for a number of years, also, presiding bishop of Cache County, and latterly president of that stake."<sup>87</sup> He "presided over the same [Cache County] as President and Presiding Bishop until his death."<sup>88</sup>

May 25th: **Smithfield:** A Young Ladies Retrenchment Society (YWMIA) is organized in the settlement. [Smithfield Ward. *Smithfield Branch Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 16 ]

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<sup>86</sup> *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*

<sup>87</sup> Death of Hon. P. Maughan, *Salt Lake Daily Herald*, V.1 #276 (25 April 1871), <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=11530471>

<sup>88</sup> Home News, *Deseret News*, V.2- #13 (3 May 1871) p.153, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2608405>

July 17-23: Brigham Young and company visit the valley, holding meetings in Richmond, Hyrum, Paradise, Mendon, Franklin, Smithfield, Millville, Providence, Logan (Two Days Meeting).<sup>8990</sup> *No mention of officially appointing Bishop Preston.*

## 1872

**Five Mile Creek (Dayton):** More settlers arrive in settlement. [EH]

**Mound Valley (Gentile Valley):** Thomas G. Bennett called as Presiding Elder and a branch was organized under the direction of the Cache Stake leadership as an off shoot of the Franklin Ward. A Relief Society is also organized. [EH, MH] [Thatcher Ward. *Gentile Valley the first 100 years: a gem of a valley* (Salt Lake City; Publishers Book Services, 1993). M277.96 G338 2006.]

**Worm Creek (Preston):** Settlers arrive on the west side of Worm Creek and a community begins to form. Meetings were held in private homes and there was no regular branch organization. On the east side Elisha R. Lawrence presided and on the west side Nahum Porter presided. [EH, MH]

April 1st: **Smithfield:** First Relief Society is organized in Smithfield. [MH]

July 7th: **Mendon:** Two day meeting held in which Bishops William B. Preston, William Hyde, Marriner W. Merrill, Lorenzo Hatch, William Maughan, Samuel Roskelley, William F. Lithwood, and Henry Hughes were present and spoke. [MH]

August 22: Brigham Young Jr. is “set apart to preside over Cache Valley settlements, including Soda Springs, under the hands of Prests B. Young, George A. Smith, & DH Wells also GQ Cannon in the office of Prest B. Young.”<sup>91</sup> *In his journal, BY Jr. never mentions a stake high council for several years, but he frequently holds bishops councils (at best monthly) and William Preston (and occasionally Moses Thatcher) typically accompanies him on his travels around the valley, essentially functioning as a counselor but more likely as presiding bishop over the entire valley.*

August 24-25: Conference at Logan attended by Brigham Young, Brigham Young Jr., and other leaders.<sup>92</sup> “On the stand besides the President’s party were President L. Snow of Box Elder, W. B. Preston, Presiding Bishop of Cache County, Bishops Hyde of Hyde Park, Pitkin of Millville, Liljenquist of Hyrum, Hammond of Providence, Hughes of Mendon, Roskelly of Smithfield, Merrill of Richmond, Hatch of Franklin, Maughan of Wellsville, ...” Also mentions “the Sunday schools of the several wards of Logan City.” *No mention of BY Jr. as Cache Stake president.*

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<sup>89</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1865-1872*, p.296, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/0c76d480-00aa-4210-9334-12a578908f1f/0/304>

<sup>90</sup> Smith, Joseph F. *Journal 1871 July 5-1871 November 1*, p.11. Digital Image MS 1325. <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93af1fa4-6311-45ed-82a3-e697109ffac/0/18>

<sup>91</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.2, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/11>

<sup>92</sup> The Meetings at Logan, *Deseret News*, V.21 #30 (August 28, 1872) p.442, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2616382>

August 31: Two days meeting at Smithfield.<sup>93</sup> “The stand was occupied by Brigham Young, Junr., Bishop W.B. Preston, and the bishops of the various settlements, with the home missionaries.” “Bishop W. B. Preston presented **Brigham Young Jr.** to the people as the **President of Cache Valley and the Bear River and Soda Springs country.**”

Sept 14-15: Two days’ meeting in Clarkston, presided over by BY Jr.<sup>94</sup> Then held meetings at Weston (Bp. Maughn), Oxford (Bp. George Lake)

Sept 17: At Bridgeport (from Oxford through Clifton), BY Jr and Bishop Preston ordain “Bro. Packer to preside as the inhabitants desired an organization.”<sup>95</sup> In subsequent days, they visit Franklin (Bp. Hatch), Richmond (Bp Mitchell), Hyrum (Bp. Liljenquist), Milville (Act. Bp. King), Paradise (Bp. James)

October 7: General Conference.<sup>96</sup> Mp:700798 In the evening, BY Jr “requested bishops of Cache Valley to meet me at Prest BY Office, where seven were ordained to act, not having been previously ordained to that office.” Listed in HOJ as ordained by BY, O Pratt, GQ Cannon, BY Jr.:<sup>97</sup>

- Henry Hughes of **Mendon** (*acting since 1869*)
- Milton D. Hammond of **Providence** (*acting since 1870*)
- Thomas X. Smith of **Logan** (replacing Preston as Logan citywide bishop, or just 4<sup>th</sup> Ward?) (*acting since 1860*)
- Simon Smith of **Clarkston** (*acting since 1870*)
- George Lake of **Oxford** (*acting since 1871*)
- Geo. O. Pitkin of **Millville** (*acting since 1863*)
- Wm. Hyde Sen. of **Hyde Park** (*acting since 1860*)

October 8: Ola N. Liljenquist set apart as bishop of **Hyrum** (*acting bishop since 1863*) by GQ Cannon and BY Jr. in SLC.<sup>98</sup>

October 20th: **Lewiston:** The branch breaks off from Richmond Ward. Prior to this George Leavitt was presiding teacher of the settlement. At this meeting attended by ~~Brigham Young Jr.~~ and Bishop William B. Preston, William Lewis was called as the Presiding Elder of the new settlement. Lewis was called to leave Richmond and he settled in Lewiston in the spring 1873. At the time the branch was known as “Poverty Flat”. Lewis was known as Bishop, though he was only an acting bishop. [MH, CC] [Virginia T. Van Orden. *How a town was built: all about Lewiston*. M277.9212 V272h 2009.] **BY Jr. was in Provo on this date**

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<sup>93</sup> Two Days’ Meetings, *Deseret News*, V.21 #32 (September 11, 1872) p.480, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2665320>

<sup>94</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.8-9, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/17>

<sup>95</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.10, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/19>

<sup>96</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.17, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/26>

<sup>97</sup> *Historical Department Office Journal*, V.32 p.134, Church History Library CR 100 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/3b2f1914-ca94-42bd-a1b3-d05bf78a39e6/0/0>

<sup>98</sup> *Historical Department Office Journal*, V.32 p.133, Church History Library CR 100 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/3b2f1914-ca94-42bd-a1b3-d05bf78a39e6/0/0>

October 26th: **Millville**: Eliza R. Snow and Zina D. Young were in the ward to organize the YLMIA. [Millville Ward. *Millville Ward Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 5589 16]

November 3: BY Jr Meets with Cache Valley bishops.<sup>99</sup> Then visits Millville (Bp. Pitkin).

November 10th: **Logan 3rd**: Thomas Tarbett dies and Robert Davidson is called to replace him. He had previously acted as Bishop while Bishop Tarbett fulfilled a mission. [EH, MH] [Logan 3rd Ward bishops. Photographs PH 4284.]

## 1873

**Lewiston**: Saints organized into a branch with William H. Lewis as Presiding Elder. [EH]

January 27th: **Wellsville**: The High Priest Quorum President Hilfoyle dies and is replaced by James Nibley. [Wellsville Ward. *Wellsville Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 10009 14]

Feb 11: **Paradise** Elders Quorum.<sup>100</sup> Final mention of Bishop James in this record. Some time between February and July, Bishop James is called to go to Salt Lake City by President Young to engage in plumbing and establish gas works which the people there desperately needed. During his absence Henry J.[C.] Jackson was appointed to fill the role of acting Bishop of the settlement. [EH, MH] [Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

March 19: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops lists:<sup>101</sup> mp:700282

- Wm. B. Preston, Presiding Bishop over these eighteen "wards:"
  - **Oxford**, George Lake
  - **Clifton**, Wm. Pratt
  - **Bridgeport**, N.W. Packer
  - **Franklin**, L.H. Hatch
  - **Weston**, John Maughan
  - **Clarkston**, Simon Smith
  - **Newton**, W.F. Littlewood
  - **Lewiston**, W.C. Lewis
  - **Richmond**, W.F. Merrill
  - **Smithfield**, Samuel Roskelly
  - **Hyde Park**, Wm Hyde
  - **Logan**, W.B. Preston
  - **Providence**, M.D. Hammond
  - **Millville**, G.O. Pitkin
  - **Hyrum**, O.N. Liljenquist

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<sup>99</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.21, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/30>

<sup>100</sup> Paradise Elders Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.1 p.10, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>101</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.22 #7 (March 19 1873) p.103, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2622070>

- **Paradise**, David James
- **Wellsville**, Wm. Maughan
- **Mendon**, Henry Hughes

May 8-June 17: BY Jr. sent to the East on business<sup>102</sup>

May 14: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as March, except:<sup>103</sup> mp:800723

- **Richmond**, M.W. Morrill

June 28th: **Logan**: "At a three day meeting in this place President Brigham Young sen said they would ordain Patriarchs in every large settlement and six were ordained in Logan City."<sup>104</sup>

July 6: Brigham Young Jr. visits **Paradise**.<sup>105</sup> "They feel somewhat neglected by their bishop and wish another appointed providing Bishop James shall be permanently located at Salt Lake." He asks his father to decide whether to appoint another. "Bro. Jackson is in charge."

July 27th: **Benson**: Sunday School was started. [Alice S. Cardon. *This is Benson, Cache County, Utah-- its history and people* (Unique printing, 1982). M277.9212 B47c 1982]

Fall: Chas Reese and Jesse Clark are appointed by Bishop of Hyde Park to be teachers of the **Benson** district. Meetings, such as Sunday School, are occasionally held in private homes. Jesse Clark moves and George Thomas is appointed to fill his spot and with Reese took charge of local ecclesiastical affairs. [MH ]

September 4: beginning of **Paradise** Teachers Quorum minutes.<sup>106</sup> Frequently mentions "President Jackson," *this is Henry C. Jackson the acting bishop; why is he consistently called "president" here?*

September 6: Visiting apostle Franklin D. Richards visits "Bishop Tho's Taylor" in Logan.<sup>107</sup> ???

October 8th: **Mendon**: Bishop Hughes is set apart to go as a missionary to Wales. Ralph Forester is appointed as acting Bishop. [Mendon Ward. *Mendon Ward manuscript history and historical records*. Microfilm LR 5424 2. ][Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

October: home missionaries travel through Cache County, accompanied by "Elder Brigham Young, president of that stake of Zion."<sup>108</sup>

November 6: **Newton** teachers quorum organized under Bishop Littlewood.<sup>109</sup>

<sup>102</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.42, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/51>

<sup>103</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.6 #147 (May 14 1873) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23160976>

<sup>104</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1873-80*, p.32, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/eb07ddd8-d258-43b3-82fd-1b0bc186b269/0/42>; Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 4963 11

<sup>105</sup> Brigham Young, Jr. letter to Brigham Young, 7 July 1873, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming*, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/2703d5d9-4e35-4029-ad4a-5e1e3d243e52/0/0>

<sup>106</sup> Paradise Teachers Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.22 p.38, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>107</sup> Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.21 p.313, Richards Family Collection, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/4b03f955-4e47-4164-b2dc-135c751c0150/0/0>

<sup>108</sup> Home from a Preaching Tour, *Deseret News*, October 1 1873, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2620313>

<sup>109</sup> Newton teachers quorum minutes, *Newton Ward general minutes*, V. 22 p.4, Church History Library LR 6075 11

December 6: Meeting of Cache County bishops, BY Jr elected president of home missionaries, Bp. Preston vice president.<sup>110</sup>

December 23: **Paradise** Elders Quorum.<sup>111</sup> Mentions “Act Bishop Jackson was present.” In subsequent meetings, he is generally called “bishop,” not “president” as in the teachers quorum.

## 1874

Lorenzo Snow visits the valley to establish the United Order. [Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

**Lewiston:** A Sunday school is organized. [Lewiston Ward. *Lewiston Ward 1st Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 4858 2.]

**Logan 5th:** Robert Henderson and John Jacobson conjointly preside over the ward after Brother Woolfenstein was called to go to Arizona. *EH* 441 [Logan 5th Ward. *Logan 5th Ward general minutes*. Microfilm 4967 11]

**Mink Creek:** and Rasmus Rasmussen takes charge of the religious meetings that were at first held in private homes. [Mink Creek Ward. *Mink Creek Ward manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 5605 2.]

**Whitney:** more settlers arrive in the settlement. *EH* 949

March 2nd: Bishop William Hyde dies, leaving the **Hyde Park** Ward with no Bishop.<sup>112 113</sup>

March 27th: **Hyde Park:** Brigham Young Jr. visits Hyde Park and called together “the Elders of the settlement for the purpose of appointing a Bishop to preside over this place... Brother Robert Daines was elected by a unanimous vote of those present to the Bishopric and ordained and set apart by Brigham Young jun to preside over this place.”<sup>114</sup>

March 29: BY Jr. ordains [Robert] Danes to “preside over Hyde Park.”<sup>115</sup> “Some were dissatisfied”

May: **Richmond:** a Young Ladies Retrenchment Society is organized in the ward. [Richmond Branch. *Richmond Branch manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 7478 2.]

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<sup>110</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.63, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/72>

<sup>111</sup> Paradise Elders Quorum Minutes, *Paradise Ward general minutes*, V.1 p.19, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>112</sup> Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1873-80*, p.60, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/eb07ddd8-d258-43b3-82fd-1b0bc186b269/0/70>; *Hyde Park Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 3991 11; Obituary of William Hyde, *Deseret News*, V.23 #8 (March 25, 1874) p.126, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2615431>

<sup>113</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.69, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/78>

<sup>114</sup> *Hyde Park Ward General Minutes*, Church History Library LR 3991 11

<sup>115</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.75, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/84>

May 2: "Cache Valley was organized into a stake of the United Order. Elder Brigham Young, Jr. was elected president; William B. Preston [PB], First Vice President"<sup>116</sup> <sup>117</sup>

May 7: Paradise Teachers Q meeting. <sup>118</sup> "...send and ask Bp. James to..." suggests that the bishop is still in SLC.

Brigham Young and Bishop Preston then tour the county, organizing United Orders in each ward, generally electing the bishop as president: May 3 Providence, prest. [Bishop] M.D. Hammond;<sup>119</sup> May 16 Paradise, May 17 Wellsville, May 18 Hyde Park, May 21 Smithfield, May 24 Franklin, Bishop Hatch, prest.; June 17 Mendon, July 12 Soda Springs

May 27: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as May 1873, except:<sup>120</sup>

- **Hyde Park**, Robt Daynes
- **Soda Springs**, Jos G. Folkman

July 15: BY Jr. travels to "Bro. [Thomas G.] Bennett's" [Mound Valley].<sup>121</sup> He resigned [as president], "Robt. Williams was elected to preside over the settlement." (no mention of bishop)

*Mound Valley (Gentile Valley)*: Organized as a Ward with Robert Hanna Williams, who was previously ordained a Bishop, as Bishop. The name of Mound Valley ward was given to the ward. Bishop Williams acted without any counselors. *EH* 543-544 [MH] [Thatcher Ward. *Gentile Valley the first 100 years: a gem of a valley* (Salt Lake City; Publishers Book Services, 1993). M277.96 G338 2006.]

Sep 27: At a meeting in Logan, "elected three trustees for this branch of the Church to hold church property." <sup>122</sup> *This is likely to circumvent anti-polygamy forfeiture laws.*

October 3: Cache Valley Priesthood or Bishops meeting. <sup>123</sup> 16 [unlisted] settlements represented. *By my count, the stake includes 16 known wards at this time, plus another 10 or so branches or uncertainly organized settlements*

October 20th: **Smithfield**: HP Pres. Greene offered his resignation as he was called to the Southern part of the Territory on a mission. Pres. James Cantwell called as new High Priests President. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 13]

Oct 21: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as May.<sup>124</sup>

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<sup>116</sup> Cache Valley, *Deseret Evening News*, V.7 #140 (May 6 1874) p.3, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23162481>

<sup>117</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.88, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/97>

<sup>118</sup> Paradise Teachers Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.22 p.42, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>119</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.90, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/99>

<sup>120</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.23 #17 (May 27 1874) p.267, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2635244>

<sup>121</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.111, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/120>

<sup>122</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.128, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/137>

<sup>123</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.131, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/140>

<sup>124</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.23 #38 (October 21 1874) p.603, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2613752>

November 1, 8: BY Jr. attends Logan Sunday meeting in afternoon, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward meeting in evening. <sup>125</sup> *Parallel city-wide and ward meetings on Sunday are similar to SLC.*

December 6th: BY Jr attends Logan meetings then 5<sup>th</sup> Ward meeting. William Hyde of Hyde Park [son of deceased William Hyde?] is called to preside over the Logan 5th ward and was ordained a Bishop by Brigham Young Jr. <sup>126</sup>

December 27: At St. George while examining temple construction, BY discusses with his son BY Jr. his intent to build a temple "somewhere in Sanpete and the next one in Logan." <sup>127</sup>

## 1875

**Hyde Park**: "Pres. Burnham wished those who had been called as missionaries would continue their labors in visiting the Branch of Bear River every Sunday..." [Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 3991 11]

Jan 6: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as October 1874. <sup>128</sup>

Jan 29: Bp. Pratt wanted some more efficient man to be appointed in his place as Bp. of Clifton; we took the case under advisement." <sup>129</sup>

Feb 6: Bishops meeting in Logan; 22 wards represented. <sup>130</sup>

Feb 7: BY Jr. visits Paradise, acting bishop Jackson <sup>131</sup>

February 8th: **Weston**: An Elders Quorum was organized in the settlement. [Weston Ward. *Weston Ward elders quorum minutes*. Hardcopy LR 10120 23]

February 10th: **Hyde Park**: First Elders Quorum is organized in the settlement. [Harold John Kirby. *A brief account of the settlement and early social and economic history of Hyde Park*. (Logan; Utah State University, 1928)]

March 26: "Bp. Geo. Lake [Oxford] called [on FD Richards in Ogden] and stated the case of himself, Bp. L.D. Hatch [Franklin], & William Budge [Bear Lake PB]. I advised him to get advice of the presidency." <sup>132</sup> *Possibly, they are being hounded by marshals for polygamy*

May 12th: **Smithfield**: YLMIA organized in the settlement. [Smithfield Branch. *Smithfield Branch manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 8359 2. ]

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<sup>125</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.137, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/146>

<sup>126</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.146, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/155>; *Hyde Park Ward general minutes*. Church History Library LR 3991 11; *Logan 5th Ward general minutes*. Church History Library 4967 11

<sup>127</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.153, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/162>

<sup>128</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.23 #49 (January 6 1875) p.782, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2614880>

<sup>129</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.171, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/180>

<sup>130</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.174, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/183>

<sup>131</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.174, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/183>

<sup>132</sup> Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.23 p.123, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/bb9586d0-592c-4022-8de0-e69849f1c172/0/0>

May 16: In Logan teachers quorum minutes, mentions “the absence of the president [TX Smith] and bishops.”<sup>133</sup> *But prior to this, the ward teachers presidents are never called bishops, only Bishop WB Preston.*

May 19: BY Jr visits Clifton, “Bishop [Pratt] wants to be released.”<sup>134</sup>

June **Smithfield**: Counselors for the Bishopric are called. [*Smithfield Branch manuscript history and historical reports*. Microfilm LR 8359 2.]

June 4: **Paradise** Teachers Q mtg.<sup>135</sup> “It was moved by ... that this quorum write a letter to President B. Young Jr. and Bp. Preston and ask them to please come and visit the settlement and give the people the man of their choice for a bishop before appointing one...carried.”

June 5-6: Two Days’ Meeting in Logan, with Brigham Young and other church leaders<sup>136</sup>

June 9: List of Bishops and Presiding Elders, same as January.<sup>137</sup>

July 2: **Paradise** Teachers Q mtg.<sup>138</sup> “President Jackson ... said he had done wrong in sanctioning the letter being sent to Logan and if he had to do the same thing over again he should oppose it and felt sorrow that the quorum di not resend [rescind?] it.”

July 3: Brigham Young Jr. rebaptizes several local bishops, apparently as a recommitment to live the United Order: Bp. W.B. Preston [Presiding/Logan], Bp. Henry Hughes [Mendon], Bp. L.H. Hatch [Franklin], Bp. Saml Roskelly [Smithfield]<sup>139</sup>

July 21: Brigham Young Jr. mentions Bishop Pitkins, Millville<sup>140</sup>

August 3: BY Jr. visits **Paradise**, which had petitioned for a bishop. He says “if they would sustain their present presiding officer, they would soon have a bishop.” The people refute the petition, blaming a couple of members.<sup>141</sup>

Aug 8: In Logan teachers meetings, William Hyde (Jr.) seems to be in charge of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, but isn’t called a bishop.<sup>142</sup>

August: **Trenton**: Branch of Clarkston ward was formed in Trenton with James Hrmison Sr. as Presiding Elder. [*On the Big Range*]

Sept 26: In Clifton, BY Jr. mentions “Bishop Pratt of this place,”<sup>143</sup> who “has applied several times to be released from presiding. I feel it necessary to release him.” He releases him and

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<sup>133</sup> Logan Teachers Quorum Minutes, *Cache Stake General Minutes*, V.11 p.243.

<sup>134</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.209, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/219>

<sup>135</sup> Paradise Teachers Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.22 p.47, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>136</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.213, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/223>

<sup>137</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #19 (June 9 1875) p.295, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2640773>

<sup>138</sup> Paradise Teachers Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.22 p.48, Church History Library LR 6733 11

<sup>139</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.233, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/242>

<sup>140</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.237, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/246>

<sup>141</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.242, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/251>

<sup>142</sup> Logan Teachers Quorum Minutes, *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.247

<sup>143</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.267, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/276>

calls "George Lake [Oxford Bishop] to preside over Oxford and Clifton and to make his residence at the latter place, and to preside over the small settlements which naturally belong to this ward." *That is, the northwest corner of Cache Valley.*

October 3: Logan Bishop William Preston dissolves the citywide teachers quorum,<sup>144</sup> instructing "the presidents of wards to appoint their own teachers in their ward and transact the business in their wards to the best of their abilities...told the presidents of wards to organize a teachers quorum in their wards" He mentions there are three bishops in the quorum [TX Smith, W Hyde Jr, H Ballard], although Smith is still being called "President" and the others are still called by their first names, until the record ends when "Bishop Ballard" asks about court cases turned over to "the bishop of the Branch" [Bishop Preston of the Logan "Branch"]

October 17: In Logan, BY Jr. "attended Scandinavian meeting. Stated that Bro. Feldsted would preside over the Scandinavian people in this district." <sup>145</sup> *So is it a branch?*

October 18: Separate teachers quorum organized in **Logan 5<sup>th</sup> ward** by "Bishop William Hyde." <sup>146</sup>

October 20: Separate teachers quorum organized in **Logan 4<sup>th</sup> Ward** by "Bro. Thomas X. Smith." <sup>147</sup> *He is called bishop in subsequent entries, starting with November 14th*

October 27th: **Mendon:** Bishop Hughes returns home from his mission and resumes his duties as bishop.[Isaac Sorensen. *Mendon Ward History*. Microfilm LR 5424 24]

October 31st: **Logan 1st:** A Teacher's quorum was first organized. [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4963 11]

November: Separate Sunday School organized in Logan 1<sup>st</sup> Ward [MH]

November 1<sup>st</sup>: **Logan 1st:** A YWMA is organized in Logan 1st Ward. [Logan 1st Ward. *Logan 1st Ward Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4963 17]

November 14th: **Logan 3rd:** Priesthood meets to organize a separate teachers quorum "according to appt. of Bp. Rob't Davidson." <sup>148</sup> *He is consistently called Bishop in this record.*

November 16th: **Hyde Park:** A Deacon's quorum is organized in the settlement. [MH]

November 24: Lorenzo Hatch is called to a southern mission, BY Jr. is instructed to call his son Lafayette Hatch to preside in his place. <sup>149</sup>

**Franklin:** Thomas Lowe is called as pro-tem bishop after Bishop Lorenzo Hatch is called to fill a colonizing mission in Arizona. [EH, MH] *Hatch is gone much of the year in hiding from police for polygamy*

December: **Weston** (Pres/Bishop?) John Maughan called to Arizona; Christian Olsen (Teachers Q Prez) takes temporary charge of Weston.[MH]

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<sup>144</sup> Logan Teachers Quorum Minutes, *Cache Stake general minutes*, V.11 p.249

<sup>145</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.274, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/283>

<sup>146</sup> *Logan 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Aaronic Priesthood Minutes*, V.1 p.16, Church History Library LR 4967 12

<sup>147</sup> *Logan 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Aaronic Priesthood Minutes*, V.1 p.30, Church history Library LR 4966 12

<sup>148</sup> *Logan 3rd Ward Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records*, V.3 p.10, Church History Library LR 4965 12

<sup>149</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.11, Church History Library MS 1236, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/8c2738f6-be3b-4c2d-95bd-10250dfd657d/0/0>

December 5: Orson Smith is sustained and ordained Bishop of **Paradise**.<sup>150</sup> he acted two years without counselors. [EH, MH] [Elizabeth Allen. *A history of Paradise, Cache County, Utah: 1860-1999*. M277.9212 A425h 2001]

December 18th: Each of the five wards in Logan organize their own teachers quorums. Prior to this date all the ward teachers had met as one quorum. [MH]

December 28th: **Smithfield**: A YMMIA was organized in the settlement for the benefit of the young men and to help them grow spiritually. [Smithfield Ward. *Smithfield Branch Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 16 ]

Dec 29: New list of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as June, except:<sup>151</sup>

- **Willow Springs Branch** (Idaho), J.D. Jones. *This is a mistake; this is the Cherry Creek Branch near Malad, and should be listed with Box Elder Stake; it is corrected in 1876*
- **Paradise**, Henry C. Jackson
- **Wellsville**, John Jordine

**Oxford**: George D. Black called as acting Bishop when Bishop Lake is called to go to the Arizona mission. [Oxford Ward. *Oxford Ward general minutes*. Hardcopy LR 6649 11]

Richmond: A YMMIA is also organized in the settlement and organized by Bishop M.W. Merrill. [MH][Richmond Branch. *Richmond Branch Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 7478 16 ]

Dec 30th: **Mendon**: A YMMIA is organized in the settlement. [MH ]

## 1876

**Clifton**: President Brigham Young Jr. and others visit and hold a conference. Elder William J. Pratt resigns and George Lake took charge of the branch until he left for the Arizona Mission, after which Harvey Dixon is placed in charge of Clifton.[EH, MH]

**Millville**: A YMMIA is organized. [MH]

**Mound Valley (Gentile Valley)**: A Sunday School is organized. [Thatcher Ward. *Gentile Valley the first 100 years: a gem of a valley* (Salt Lake City; Publishers Book Services, 1993). M277.96 G338 2006.]

**Petersboro**: Sunday School organized 1876. [MH]

January-February: George Lake, bishop of **Oxford and Clifton**, in hiding from marshals for polygamy, is called to lead a company of the Arizona Mission. Harvey Dixon is placed in charge of Clifton [Clifton MH]

Jan 4: **Paradise** Teachers quorum meeting.<sup>152</sup> Mentions "The Bp. [Orson Smith] said he felt well to be in meeting with his brethren."

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<sup>150</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.16

<sup>151</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #48 (December 29 1875) p.755, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2643418>

<sup>152</sup> Paradise Teachers Quorum minutes, *Paradise Ward General Minutes*, V.22 p.51, Church History Library LR 6733 11

January 6th: **Lewiston**: A Relief Society was organized by Bishop Lewis. [Lewiston Ward. *Lewiston 1st Ward Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4858 14. ]

January 12: List of Bishops and Presiding Elders, same as December 1875.<sup>153</sup>

February 22: BY Jr. ordains Alexander A. Allen to preside over **Weston** Ward [as bishop]<sup>154</sup>

February 23: BY Jr. ordains Lafayette Hatch to preside over **Franklin** Ward [as bishop]<sup>155</sup>

March 16: Final directory in Deseret Evening News before a 3-month hiatus.<sup>156</sup> Information is likely stale, and mostly the same as before, except that this is the last issue to list Bridgeport and Willow Springs.

April 10th: **Hyrum**: Bishop Ola Nielson Liljenquist leaves for a mission to Scandinavia.[MH]

June 7: First of a new series of directories in Deseret Evening News, on hiatus since March.<sup>157</sup>

Mp:700795 Mostly the same, except:

- **Bridgeport** not listed.
- **Oxford**, \*George D. Black
- **Clifton**, \*Harvey Dixon
- **Willow Springs Branch** not listed; “*Cherry Creek*” is correctly listed with *Malad*.
- **Weston**, \*Alexander Allen
- **\*Mound Valley**, Rob’t Williams
- Logan still listed, but first time wards are listed:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, B.M. Lewis
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>, Henry Ballard
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>, Robert Davidson
  - 4<sup>th</sup>, Thomas H. Smith
  - 5<sup>th</sup>, Wm. Hyde

July 10th: **Hyde Park**: A YLMIA is organized in the settlement by “the Relief Society” who “met as appointed to organize the Young Ladies at the Hall at 2pm...Bishop Robert Daines made some excellent remarks...”[Hyde Park Ward. *Hyde Park Ward Young Women’s Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 3991 17.

July 15: Two Days’ Conference at Logan, with “President B. Young Jr.” and “all the bishops and other leading men of the Valley.”<sup>158</sup> No mention of sustainings.

August 13th: **Petersboro**: Wm. I Williamson appointed teacher in what was known as District No. 6 of the Mendon Ward. Elias Davis afterwards was authorized as Presiding Elder of the settlement when Bishop Hughes organized the branch. [EH, MH]

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<sup>153</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #50 (January 12 1876) p.795, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2643628>

<sup>154</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.53

<sup>155</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.54

<sup>156</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.9 #96 (16 Mar 1876) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23165312>

<sup>157</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.9 #166 (7 June 1876) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23165662>

<sup>158</sup> Minutes of a Two Days’ Conference Held at Logan, *Deseret News*, V.25 #27 (2 Aug 1876) p.240, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2623608>

September 10th: **Mink Creek**: At a meeting President Brigham Young Jr. and other stake leaders organize Mink Creek as a branch of the church with Rasmus Rasmussen as Presiding Priest.<sup>159</sup>

September 10: Meeting held in "Mink Crick Ward," Apostle Brigham Young Jr. calls R. Rasmussen as president.<sup>160</sup>

Sep 12: BY Jr. visits Soda Springs.<sup>161</sup> Mentions Bro. Lau as being here but not Folkman

October: "President G.L. Farrell who was appointed to this position" was called as President of the Cache Stake Home missionaries and begins to preside over the missionary efforts in the Valley. [Cache Stake. *Cache Stake home missionary record*. Microfilm LR 1280 53.]

October 7th: **Clarkston**: Bishop Smith is called to serve a mission in Arizona. At a Bishops meeting held at Logan, John Jordine of Wellsville was called to be Bishop of Clarkston. He in company of Bishops WF Rigby, Henry Hughes, and JL Turrell came to Clarkston on November 6 and was sustained.<sup>162</sup> *BY Jr is in SLC*

October: Telegram received from Salt Lake City appointing John Jordine as Bishop of Clarkston. He arrived November 6th. [MH LR 1745 2]

December 5th: **Logan 2nd**: A YLMIA is organized in the ward. [MH LR 4963 2]

December 13th: **Hyde Park**: A YMMIA is organized in the settlement. [MH]

December 22: Final published list of Bishops and Presiding Elders in Deseret News, same as June except.<sup>163</sup>

- **\*Paradise**, Orson Smith
- **\*Wellsville**, Wm. H. Maughan

26th: **Logan 5th**: A YMMIA is organized under the direction of the teachers quorum in the ward. [Logan YMMIA. *Logan 5th Ward Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4967 16.]

**Wellsville**: The High Priest Quorum President Nibley dies and Timothy Parkinson is appointed in his place. [Wellsville Ward. *Wellsville Relief Society minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 10009 14]

## 1877

**Coveville**: the Saints in this place were organized into a branch with Charles Hopkins Allen as President and a Sunday school also began in the settlement. [EH, MH]

**Five Mile Creek (Dayton)**: Fred Jensen called as Presiding Elder for the settlement and the first Sunday School is organized. [EH, MH]

**Mound Valley (Gentile Valley)**: David V. Brown and Hezekiah H. Peck were called as counselors. [MH]

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<sup>159</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.144

<sup>160</sup> *Mink Creek Ward general minutes*, V.4 p.1, Church History Library LR 5605 11

<sup>161</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.145

<sup>162</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.105, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/111>

<sup>163</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.10 #27 (December 22, 1876) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23166497>

**Oxford:** W.F. Fisher ordained Bishop by President Moses Thatcher, and his counselors William Preston and Hammond. [Oxford Ward. *Oxford Ward general minutes*. Hardcopy LR 6649 11.][George David Black. *George David Black biographical sketch*. Microfilm MS 13731]

January 5th: **Clarkston:** Deacon's quorum organized by Bishop John Jardine. [Clarkston Ward. *Clarkston Ward Aaronic minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 1745 12.]

January 24th: **Lewiston:** A YMMIA is organized by Bishop Lewis. [MH] [Lewiston Ward. *Lewiston 1st Ward Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 4858 16.]

February: **Mound Valley (Gentile Valley):** A Sunday School is started. [MH]

March 3: Bishops meeting in Logan, "20 wards represented at the meeting" <sup>164</sup>

March 10-11: Stake Conference in Logan (the last pre-Reorganization conf in the Church?). <sup>165</sup>  
"Brigham Young Jr, President of this Stake of Zion, William B. Preston, Presiding Bishop, Bishops S. Roskelly [Smithfield], M.D. Hammond [Providence], Robert Daines [Hyde Park], George O. Pitkin [Millville], L.L. Hatch [Franklin], Wm. F. Littlewood [Newton], John Jardine [Clarkston], Orson Smith [Paradise], Henry Hughes [Mendon], W.H. Maughan [Wellsville], B.M. Lewis [Logan 1<sup>st</sup>], Thomas X. Smith [Logan 4<sup>th</sup>]" *This is only about 2/3 of the wards, and no high council mentioned*. Roskelly also mentions Bishop McBride of Hyrum,

March 11th: **Providence:** "A meeting was held for the purpose of organizing the young mens mutual association. (?) F. Wills the president of the young men's associations throughout Utah was present..." And it was Wills who chose the president. [Providence Ward. *Providence Ward Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 7219 16.]

Spring: **Worm Creek (Preston):** A Relief Society is organized. And at a seventies meeting held in Franklin Brother Elisha R. Lawrence is appointed to preside over the east side of Worm Creek and his branch is connected to the Franklin Ward. Brother Nahum Porter on the west side is assigned to preside over the branch on that side of the Creek, with his branch being part of Lewiston. However, members on both sides of the creek often met together. [MH]

May: **Franklin:** Lorenzo Lafayette Hatch is called as Bishop. [EH, MH]

May 7th: **Mink Creek:** Branch organized as a Ward and President Rasmussen was called as Bishop. [EH, MH][Viola Barlow Larsen. *Mink Creek Idaho Ward, 1871-1976*. M277.96 L334m 1976.]

May 11th: **Franklin:** L.L Hatch Bishop after the opening services Saml. R. Parkinson was chosen by Bishop L.L. Hatch for his counselor, Thomas Durment was chosen for his second counselor" and an Elders Quorum was organized. [MH][Franklin Ward. *Franklin Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 2994 11.]

May 18th: Ground breaking and site dedication of the Logan Temple. <sup>166</sup>

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<sup>164</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.203

<sup>165</sup> Conference at Logan, *Deseret News*, V.26 #11, (April 18, 1877) p.170, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626432>; Minutes of Conferences at Logan, 1877, *Samuel Roskelly Papers*, Church History Library MS 8239, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dfca8e62-f9c9-485e-a876-b8902942d207/0/1>; Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.204

<sup>166</sup> Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.25 (1877) p.172, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/7ff188c1-fd52-43ca-aac6-48bfc12ab138/0/171>

May 18: BY Jr journalizes “Father asked me whom I thought best to be appointed President and Counsellors of this stake of Zion. I deferred to him.” <sup>167</sup>

May 19-20: Stake Conference. <sup>168</sup> the Stake was reorganized and Moses Thatcher called as Stake President. President Young said, “I shall nominate as President of this Stake of Zion Moses Thatcher [carried unanimously].” Pres. Young calls the counselors Thatcher has chosen, and a high council, then leaves it to Pres. Thatcher to complete the organization of the stake.

May 20: Franklin D. Richards journalizes, “The 12 met at Father Thatcher’s & decided on appointments for the next 2 months. Then met with the bishops & assisted to ordain several then to young peoples meeting & heard M. Thatcher, E. Snow, & Geo Q. Cannon.” <sup>169</sup>

May 20: John Taylor, George Q. Cannon, and Franklin D. Richards ordain Benjamin M. Lewis as bishop of Logan 1<sup>st</sup> Ward [MH], Henry Ballard as bishop of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward [MH], Robert Davidson as bishop of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward [MH], William Hyde as bishop of 5<sup>th</sup> Ward [MH] (was he only set apart as acting in 1874?)

May 21: Stake Priesthood meeting. Moses Thatcher ordained stake president along with counselors and high council.

May 20/21: Bishop Jordine of Clarkston is officially ordained and set apart, along with counselors, by Elder Franklin D. Richards. <sup>170</sup>

May 31: meeting where counselors and others set apart and ordained [Logan 1,2 MH]

May: **Clifton:** Branch is made into a ward and Harvey Dixon is called as Bishop. [EH, MH]

May: **Lewiston:** William H Lewis ordained a Bishop by Elder Orson Pratt. The Elders Quorum was also organized. [EH, MH][Lewiston Ward. *Lewiston 1st Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4858 11.]

May: **Logan 3rd:** Robert Davidson is called as Bishop when ward is made a separate entity. [EH, MH]

June 3rd: Millville: At a special meeting with the Stake Presidency counselors were called to help Bishop Pitkin. The general minutes state, “Meeting for the purpose of reorganizing the ward held June 3, 1877. Present Moses Thatcher Presdt. of this Stake of Zion, W.B. Preston and M.D. Harnon his coueslors...Johannas Anderson was ordained a High Priest and under the hands of Moses Thatcher and set apart as first counselor to Bishop G.O. Pitkin. John King was ordained an High Priest and set apart as second counselor to G.O. Pitkin...Richard Jessop was set apart as President of the Elders Quorum...the further organization was left for the prescidency of the ward to complete...” [MH][Millville Ward. *Millville Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 5589 11]

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<sup>167</sup> Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.224

<sup>168</sup> Special Conference at Logan, *Deseret News*, V.26 #17 (May 30, 1877) p.258, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626837>; Discourse by Prest. Brigham Young, *Deseret News*, V.26 #18 (June 6, 1877) p.274, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626931>; Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.17 (1875-1877) p.225

<sup>169</sup> Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.25 (1877) p.174, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/7ff188c1-fd52-43ca-aac6-48bfc12ab138/0/173>

<sup>170</sup> *Clarkston Ward general minutes*, V.6 p.108, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/9a2ec4c3-c206-4345-a626-1949d78fbb16/0/114>

June 4: **Providence**: Milton D. Hammond is called as second counselor in the stake presidency and Milton Melvin Hammond is called as the new Bishop and is ordained a High Priest with counselors. [EH, MH]

June 4th: **Hyrum**: Special meeting held for the purpose of organizing the quorums and setting apart the officers.[Hyrum Ward. *Hyrum Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4009 11.]

June 4: President Thatcher reorganizes Hyrum Ward, appointing James McBride as first counselor to Bishop O.N. Liljenquist, and acting bishop while the bishop is on a mission.<sup>171</sup>

June 4: **Richmond**: Counselors, Christian Ayer and Wallace K Burnham, were called and set apart in a special meeting in which the purpose was “the perfect organization of the ward...” [MH][Richmond Branch. *Richmond Branch general minutes*. Microfilm LR 7478 11.]

June 6th: **Mendon**: Andrew Anderson and John Donaldson called as counselors to Bishop Hughes. [MH]

June 8th: **Hyde Park**: Special meeting held and counselors are called and the organization of the Elders Quorum is affected. [MH]

June 10th: **Lewiston**: Bishop Lewis calls his counselors. [MH][Lewiston Ward. *Lewiston 1st Ward general minutes*. Microfilm LR 4858 11.]

June 10: **Smithfield**: “At a general ward meeting held Sunday June 10, 1877, a more thorough organization of the ward was effected, it was deemed wisdom to organize the four quorums of teachers composed of acting and organized teachers instead of the organizations known as teachers districts.” [Smithfield Ward. *Smithfield Branch Aaronic Priesthood minutes and records*. Microfilm LR 8359 12]

June 11th: **Oxford**: People call on William H. Homer to help Bishop Black in his duties. William F. Fisher had been called in 1876 to move from Richmond to come take charge of the Oxford Ward. He did not arrive until 1878. [MH]

June 12th: **Clifton**: Bishop Dixon calls counselors to the Bishopric. [MH]

June 13th: **Trenton**: At a meeting held attended by the Cache Stake Presidency, it was decided not to form a ward yet. [MH]

June 14th: **Benson**: Alma Harris called as Bishop of the Ward and settlement is organized as a ward and officially named Benson in honor of the late Ezra T. Benson. [EH, MH, CC 98][Alice S. Cardon. *This is Benson, Cache County, Utah-- it's history and people* (Unique printing, 1982). M277.9212 B47c 1982]

June 14: **Newton**: Ward more completely organized under Bishop John Jordine by President Thatcher, with Counselors and Aaronic Priesthood quorums.<sup>172</sup>

July 3: *Deseret Evening News* reprints its bishop/presiding bishop directory, as in 1876, even though Cache and other stakes have been reorganized. Same as 1876 except:<sup>173</sup>

- Clarkston, John Jardine

July 16<sup>th</sup>: President Thatcher fully organizes Mound Valley

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<sup>171</sup> Hyrum, *Deseret Evening News*, V.10 #169 (9 June 1877) p.3, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23167206>

<sup>172</sup> *Newton Ward General Minutes*, V.8 p.120, Church History Library LR 6075 11

<sup>173</sup> Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.10 #189 (July 3, 1877) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23167307>

July 18th: **Mink Creek**: Ward fully organized by Pres. Thatcher under Bishop Rasmussen, including counselors.<sup>174</sup>

Fall: **North Lewiston (Fairview)**: branch is organized with James Bodily called as Presiding Elder. The Branch at the time was known as Upper Lewiston. [EH 242-243]

November 3: Conference of "Cache Valley Stake of Zion."<sup>175</sup> Reports from Bishops:

- **1st Ward, Logan City**, B.M. Lewis
- **2nd Ward**, Henry Ballard
- **3rd Ward**, Robert Davidson
- **4th Ward**, Thomas H. Smith
- **5th Ward**, Wm. Hyde
- **Hyde Park**, Robert Daines
- **Smithfield**, S. Roskelley
- **Richmond**, M.W. Merrill
- **Franklin**, L.H. Hatch, Jr.
- **Mink Creek**, -----
- **Mound Valley**, R.H. Williams
- **Clifton**, Harry Dixon
- **Lewiston**, Wm. H. Lewis
- **Weston**, A.L. Allen
- **Clarkston**, John Jordan
- **Newton**, Wm F. Littlewood
- **Benson**, Alma Harris (recently organized)
- **Mendon**, Henry Hughes
- **Wellsville**, W.H. Maughan
- **Paradise**, Orson Smith
- **Hyrum**, James McBride
- **Millville**, Geo. O. Pitkin
- **Providence**, Melville M. Hammond

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9 Jan: Published list of all stakes and wards, including Cache Stake:<sup>176</sup>

- Benjamin M Lewis, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, Logan City
- Henry Ballard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward, Logan City
- Robert Davidson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward, Logan City
- Thomas X Smith, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward, Logan City
- William Hyde, 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, Logan City
- Robert Davies, Hyde Park
- Samuel Roskelley, Smithfield

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<sup>174</sup> *Mink Creek Ward general minutes*, V.4 p.2

<sup>175</sup> Minutes of the Quarterly Conference of the Cache Valley Stake of Zion, *Deseret News*, V.26 #41 (November 14 1877) p.653, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2629040>

<sup>176</sup> Names of Presidents and Bishops of the Organized Stakes of Zion, *Deseret Evening News*, V.11 #40 (January 9, 1878), p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23168097>

- Marriner W. Merrill, Richmond
- William F Fisher, Oxford
- Harvey Dixon, Clifton
- Alexander A Allen, Weston
- John Jardine, Clarkston
- Wm F Rigby, Newton
- Alma Harris, Benson
- Henry Hughes, Mendon
- William H Maughan, Wellsville
- Orson Smith, Paradise
- James McBride, acting, Hyrum
- George O Pitkin, Millville
- Milton M Hammond, Providence
- William H Lewis, Lewiston
- Lafayette L Hatch, Franklin
- Rasmus Rasmussen, Mink Creek
- Robert H Williams, Mound Valley
- Moses Thatcher, President of Stake