

Sanpete County Timeline

1849

October 6: “Moved that Isaac Morley, Charles Shumway and Seth Taft, be the men to take the Presidency of the settlement in the Sandpitch valley.”¹

October 28: Company leaves Salt Lake

November 19: Manti settled by Isaac Morley, Seth Taft, Charles Shumway & Nelson Higgins [MH]

1850

spring: Seth Taft returned to Salt Lake

March 19: BY writes “Br. Isaac Morley & Council” but no indication of organization status²

July 7: First worship meeting recorded in “Historical Record **San Pete Branch**” [Manti], led by “President Morley”³

July 7: “President Morley asked Walker, the Chief, if some of his tribe did not wish to be baptized... Elders John D. Chase, Nelson Higgins, Joseph Allen and James Richey baptized 103 male and 17 female Indians...”⁴

July 14: “...they were confirmed members of the church...”⁵

August 4: President Brigham Young and party entered Sanpete Valley in the morning. “...arrived at San Pete Settlement, subsequently named Manti, about 7 o’clock p.m.”⁶

August 5: Brigham Young and party lay out the plat for the new city of “Manti”, designates temple site.⁷ *It is not possible that John Lowry is called as Bishop during*

¹ Minutes of the General Conference, October 1849, *Millennial Star*, V.12 #9 (May 1 1850), p.133.
<https://archive.org/details/MStarVol12/page/n137/mode/2up>

² Brigham Young, letter to Isaac Morley 19 Marc 1850, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, Copybook 1844-1853*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 1,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/23928a06-210d-4ec0-96c2-909bcbcbdb6a3>

³ *Manti Ward General Minutes, Minutes 1850-1854*, Church History Library LR 5253 11 p.3,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e7402fab-fb70-4120-972a-6406bdfb594b/0/6>

⁴ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript. Part 2.

⁵ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript. Part 2.

⁶ Historian's Office history of the Church, 1839-circa 1882; 1850 January-December; Church History Library CR 100 102 box 9 v.20 p.62, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=2019155b-e294-4479-af9d-f37516067815&crate=0&index=75>

⁷ Historian's Office history of the Church, 1839-circa 1882; 1850 January-December; Church History Library CR 100 102 box 9 v.20 p.62, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=2019155b-e294-4479-af9d-f37516067815&crate=0&index=75>

this trip; they meet him near Uinta Springs (Fountain Green) as they are going home and he is returning from GSLC. Did they ordain him there?

August 6: "President Brigham Young and party spent a pleasant day in the Sanpete Fort."⁸

August 7: "About 2 o'clock p.m. President Brigham Young and party attended a picnic or feast, in the school house, in the Sanpete Fort, built for school purposes and public worship. ...At 5 o'clock p.m., the tables and dishes all being cleared away, a meeting was called at the school-house. President Brigham Young preached a sermon full of comfort and cheer to the brethren. Heber C. Kimball, Newell K. Whitney and Isaac Morley also made remarks..."⁹

August 26: "*Bishop Lowry said...*"¹⁰ first mention of him as bishop in the record. No mention of his calling, could have been honorific since he had been bishop of 2nd Ward in GSLC, but he is clearly leading meetings with Morley from here on.

September 1: in meeting minutes, location is only given as "San Pete Valley"¹¹

September 6: at General Conference Brigham Young calls "*for volunteers to return with Father Morley*" to the "*San Pete Settlement*"¹²

September: First school opened in Manti by Jesse W. Fox

Log meetinghouse/schoolhouse built in Manti

1851

January 1: record keeping of births and quorums begins in Sanpete following Brigham Young's counsel

February 24: "Isaac Morley with his counsel...surveyed the ground or lot for the court house..."¹³

February: Manti is officially made a city according to the Salt Lake Legislature

March 6: General Assembly of Deseret incorporates **Manti** City (among others); this may have been the first use of the name.

March 6: "Isaac Morley and his counselors, Bishop Lowry and his counselors, met at the house of Titus Billings to adopt the best plan to lay up or build the walls of the Council House."¹⁴

April 1: "...this place called **Manti City**..."¹⁵ First mention of the name Manti in this record, as a city rather than a ward or branch.

April 13: Dan Jones elected first mayor of Manti

⁸ J.H. August 6, 1850

⁹ J.H. August 7, 1850

¹⁰ Manti Ward General Minutes, p.5.

¹¹ Manti Ward General Minutes, p.6

¹² *Deseret News*. September 14, 1850.

¹³ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript. Part 2.

¹⁴ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript. Part 2.

¹⁵ Manti Ward General Minutes, p.33

April 22: PB Edward Hunter writes to outlying bishops, including “John Lowery” of Manti, about “your ward or district”¹⁶

April 30: Brigham Young visits Manti & organizes the first High Council in Sanpete County^{17 18} *Any other callings are not mentioned in primary sources*

April 30: “Organized a high council”¹⁹ Names listed May 1

April 30: Brigham Young: “A high council was organized at Manti, Sanpete County, April 30, Patriarch Isaac Morley is president of that **stake of Zion**.”²⁰

June: Isaac Morley succeeded by John Lowry Sr. as presiding bishop of Sanpete

August 3: at Manti worship meeting, Morley mentions “this branch of the Church ...” in passing.²¹

October 6: General Conference, Nelson Higgins called to “take charge of the settlements” in San Pete Valley.²² [Most interpret this as only being a military command, which he clearly has]

Isaac Behunin builds a house in Pine Creek (Ephraim)

1852

March: James Allred settles Spring City [MH]

March 20: Statistical report from Sanpete County by Isaac Morley:²³

- Manti City, Bishop John Lowry, 362 members
- North Settlement [Spring City/Pleasant Creek?], also John Lowry, 25 members
- Behunin family has recently settled on “Cottonwood Creek, about 6 miles from this place” [Ephraim]

October 1-5: Statistical Reports from wards.²⁴

- Manti City or Ward: Isaac Morley, Pres’t and council; John Lowry, Bishop and council

¹⁶ Edward Hunter, letter to bishops, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, Copybook 1844-1853*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/23928a06-210d-4ec0-96c2-909bcbcbdb6a3>

¹⁷ *Historian's Office general Church minutes*; Manti, 1851 April 29-30; Church History Library CR 100 318 box 2 folder 30 image 4, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=7e28dfc0-27d5-4018-ba9c-d964744f3aa3&crate=0&index=3>

¹⁸ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1847-1852*, p.301, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/a5c827b5-938d-4a08-b80e-71570704e323/0/306>

¹⁹ Manti Ward General Minutes, p.38

²⁰ Sixth General Epistle, *Deseret News*, Nov 15 1851, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2578154>

²¹ Manti Ward General Minutes, p.51

²² General Conference Minutes, *Historian's Office History of the Church*, Church History Library CR 100 102, 1851 p.111, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=acf4f2b8-6e64-4014-8411-c0b072596b99&crate=0&index=122>

²³ Bishops Reports, 1852 April, *Bishops Reports 1848-1866*, Church History Library CR 100 592, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/f8e49375-cc4e-4fab-9ec7-1e7dfe8112ee/0/28>

²⁴ Bishops Reports, 1852 October, *Bishops Reports 1848-1866*, Church History Library CR 100 592, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/feeb487e-5e0e-468d-9c85-06c172bb0e24/0/26>

- North Settlement, no report

December 5: John Patten Jr. received his “Patriarchal Blessing given under the hands of Isaac Morley...”²⁵

December 31: Bishops’ statistical report, listing “wards” with “bishops” (possibly including branches as well), includes Manti City with John Lowry, and “North Settlement: not reported” [Pleasant Creek? Spring City?] ²⁶

One dozen families settled on Pleasant Creek

“...the High Priest Quorum organized in Manti...”²⁷

1853

Jan 18: Bishops meeting includes “Isaac Morley, President of the Church in Sanpete County”²⁸

April: Brigham Young visits Canal Creek [Spring City], ordains Reuben W. Allred as bishop [MH] *He meets there on 27 April but the Historian’s Office Journal doesn’t mention this ordination.*

July 18: Walker War began near Payson; Pleasant Creek attacked, then abandoned, settlers move to the Allred Settlement [Spring City EH]

31 July: Canal Creek [Spring City] abandoned [MH]

October: Canal Creek [Spring City] resettled under the Allreds with a number of Danish immigrants, leading to the settlement commonly being called Little Denmark [MH]

October 6: Report of General Conference includes the followings “wards” with “bishops” (this may be a generalization and could include some branches with presidents):²⁹
mp:800205 Manti-John Lowry, Pleasant Creek-Reuben W. Allred. *The latter is certainly the combined settlement at Canal Creek [Spring City], as Pleasant Creek was not resettled.*

October: List of Utah local leaders includes the following for San Pete County: **Manti City [ward branch or stake?]:** President Isaac Morley (with counselors), High Council, Bishop John Lowry (with counselors). **Pleasant Creek Ward [Spring City?]:** President of Branch James Allred, Bishop Reuben Allred.³⁰

October: Census data shows the population was 765 – 118 from Mt. Pleasant & Spring City – 647 from Manti

²⁵ HBLL MSS SC 128. December 5, 1852. John Patten Sr. and John Patten Jr. Papers.

²⁶ JHC 31 December 1852 p.2 https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE289298

²⁷ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

²⁸ *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.48, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/63>

²⁹ Report of General Conference, *Deseret News* V.3 #19 (October 15 1853) p.74-75
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2579576>

³⁰ Utah Territory Officers Oct 1853, *Winter Quarters Municipal High Council Records 1846-1848*. Church History Library LR 6359 21 box 1 folder 3 p.97 ,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=0ddc178b-8238-4ee7-aca4-b0dce74a6659&crate=0&index=98>

November 23: “Special Branch or Stake Conference.” President Isaac Morley and two counselors, Bishop Lowry and two counselors. Conference has been called by Bishop Lowry to resolve some bad feelings in the settlement. Lowry speaks “a long while on the duties of a Bishop and a President.” There have been some suggestions of replacing Morley due to some offense. *“President Morley said I am willing to receive any principal of censure that is due me. I think I have tried to sustain our bishop in his office. I know that I have crossed him in some instances. If this has offended him I do think that it ought not to of had that effect upon him.”* Lowry and others say censure is not necessary. Morley says *“brethren I wish you to choose you a new President, yet I wish a place among you.”* Elijah Averett and others had complained to Brigham Young about Morley, who dismissed them. Nothing is done to Morley at this time.³¹

December 17: settlers abandon Pleasant Creek³²

December 19: Canal Creek [Spring City] was abandoned the second time [MH]

December: “...Erastus Snow...had instructions from Prest. Young to ‘organize the Scandinavian meetings,’ and he said ‘this should last as long as the Scandinavian emigration should continue.’ And at this time Herman J. Christensen was appointed to preside over these meetings, with Niels P. Domgaard and Mickel Johnson his counselors.”³³

Settlers leave Mt. Pleasant – Indians burn down the abandoned fort

1854

February: Caleb Edwards, Reddick Newton Allred, and others settle at Pine Creek (Ephraim) [MH]

2 Feb: Manti calls itself “Sanpete Branch of the Church”³⁴

March 8: BY writes Nelson Higgins in Manti about a new fort on “Cottonwood Creek” [Ephraim—see Jan 29 1855].³⁵ “I advise you to let Bishop Reuben Allred have the presidency and oversight of the new settlement...”

April 9: Nelson Higgins, writing the Deseret News, mentions “Bishops Lowry and Allred” as equals.³⁶

May: Walker War ends

³¹ *Manti Ward General Minutes*, p.204 <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e7402fab-fb70-4120-972a-6406bdfb594b/0/195>

³² James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.3 <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/2>

³³ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

³⁴ *Manti Ward Record of Members*, p.45, Family History Library film 0026129

³⁵ Brigham Young, letter to N. Higgins 8 March 1854, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.1*, p.459, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=f7d18c09-51a0-42c6-8c73-10960c772d45/0/966>

³⁶ Letter, *Deseret News*, V.4 #12 (27 April 1854), p. 47, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2580254>

5 July: Manti calls itself “Manti Branch of the Church”³⁷

July 8: Due to “Patriarch Isaac Morley, who was the President of the branch in this place, has been called to GSL City,” “...the High Council met to consult upon the matter of selecting a President for the **Branch**. They selected brother Welcome Chapman for President, James Wareham for his 1st Counselor, and Warren S. Snow for his 2d Counselor.”³⁸

July 9: Manti meets together and sustains the branch presidency – “...the people unanimously voted to acknowledge and sustain them in their respective offices...”³⁹

October 15: While Brigham Young was visiting Manti, “Welcome Chapman was ordained Pres’t of Manti.”⁴⁰

Nov 19: Chapman is presiding at regular Sunday meetings, suggesting that he is presiding over this congregation, if not the entire region.

1855

January 24: Reuben Allred, who had refused to appear before the Manti High Council, whereupon the members of **Ephraim** dropped him as president, although he continued to serve as bishop for another year [MH]

January 27: High Council calls Elijah Averett to preside over Ft. Ephraim Branch [MH]
So at least the High Council is claiming regional authority at this point

January 28: “...it was unanimously voted that Br. Elijah Averett be President of the Fort Ephraim Branch, and that brs. Thomas Thorp, and Tore Thurston be his counselors.”⁴¹

Jan 29: Elijah Averett writes Brigham Young:⁴² “the people of Fort Ephraim had a meeting and rejected Br. Allred as president, and requested the councils at Manti to give them a president. The High Council, the president and council, the bishop and his council met and nominated me as president of that branch, and carried unanimous. So the nomination was carried to Fort Ephraim and laid before the people and carried without a dissenting voice,” but he expresses his lack of confidence. BY responds Feb 12th with encouragement. *Thus, Ephraim is under the jurisdiction of Welcome Chapman and the high council, and possibly Bishop Lowry.*

³⁷ Manti Ward Record of Members, p.45

³⁸ Manti News, *Deseret News*, V.4 #20 (July 27 1854), p.277
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2580583>

³⁹ Manti News, *Deseret News*, V.4 #20 (July 27 1854), p.277
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2580583>

⁴⁰ *Historian's Office Journal*, V.17 (1854-1855) p.189, Church History Library CR 100 1,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/7cb8bc39-94ab-4793-afcc-bde215b3dd57/0/207>

⁴¹ Fort Ephraim, *Deseret News*, V.5 #9 (May 9 1855) p.69 ,
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2569983>

⁴² Elijah Averett, letter to Brigham Young 29 Jan 1855, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence, General Letters, A-Ba 1855*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 23 folder 18,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=f61cfa18-2f5a-4ff4-a25d-450604a24160>

4 Feb: Wareham & Snow ordained (finally?) as counselors to “the Pres’t of the Branch W. Chapman under the hands of the Pres’t of the Branch & Pres’t of the High Council.”⁴³

16 Feb: BY writes Reuben Allred: “I understand that Bro. Elijah Averett has been appointed President and that you are still the Bishop. If so, all is right.”⁴⁴

February: Arrowpeen had a dream/visitation from his deceased brother who told him “to relate what was communicated to him [in the vision] to Pres. Welcome Chapman and Counselor Higgins and Bishop Lowry and they would write it.”⁴⁵

11 Mar: mention of a conference (Manti? Sanpete Stake?) “Branch Authorities were sustained”⁴⁶

April 6: “...in the Tabernacle, Great Salt Lake City... The Conference then voted that John Lowry be dropped from his office, as bishop of Manti, in San Pete County; and that Warren Snow be ordained bishop of Manti.”⁴⁷ mp:700886

April 9: “Warren Stone Snow... was ordained a High Priest and Bishop and set apart to act in the city of Manti, in the President’s office...by Prest. Brigham Young”⁴⁸

April 9: BY issues certificate that “Elder Warren Stone Snow was chosen ... to fill the vacancy in the office of Bishop in Manti City, and that he was ordained this day.”⁴⁹

April 22: Chapman replaces Snow with James Richey as counselor.⁵⁰

May: Arropine deeds all of Sanpete County to Brigham Young

May: Brigham Young and party visit Fort Ephraim, Bishop Reuben Allread, President Elijah Everett.⁵¹ In Manti, they set apart the Elk Mountain missionaries

June 15: “...The Elk Mountain mission was fitted out...and arrived at the Elk Mountain...where they began a settlement on the left bank of Grand River...”⁵²

⁴³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.19,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁴⁴ Brigham Young, letter to Reuben Allred 16 Feb 1855, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.1*, p.935, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=f7d18c09-51a0-42c6-8c73-10960c772d45>

⁴⁵ J.H. February 4, 1855

⁴⁶ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.21,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁴⁷ Deseret News. April 11, 1855.

⁴⁸ Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.107, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/124>

⁴⁹ Brigham Young, open letter 9 April 1855, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, Miscellaneous Letterbook 1855-1877*, p.23, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 15,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/1732c22d-2937-4365-a1af-efc782ca1769>

⁵⁰ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.23,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁵¹ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1854-1859*, p.62, Church History Library MS 1352,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/ed47e448-2936-4a1d-a4d8-4b5f96a8d1ac/0/63>

⁵² HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

July 24: In Manti "...the procession was formed...First Presidency and High Council...Bishop and Council... the assembly were dismissed...under the direction of the Bishops..."⁵³

Sep 16: "Bishop Snow spoke as Bishop of the Stake..."⁵⁴

October 6: Statistical report lists "wards" with "bishops," including Manti: Warren S Snow, Fort Ephraim: RW Allred.⁵⁵

8 Oct: General bishops meeting includes representation from Manti Ward.⁵⁶

December 10: "...Geo. P. Billings and C. G. Edwards, ordained High Priests and set apart as counselors to Bishop Warren S. Snow. Resolved, that F. W. Cox be assistant clerk."⁵⁷

1856

January 5: Erastus Snow and George B. Wallace "...arrived at Fort Ephraim, to settle the difficulties of this branch and to organize it..."⁵⁸

January 6: Erastus Snow and George B. Wallace "...held two meetings [at Ephraim] and dropped the bishop [RW Allred] and the president [E Averett] of this place and then went to Manti"⁵⁹

January 8: Welcome Chapman "went to fort Ephraim in company with Brothers E[.] Snow and Geo[.] B[.] Wallace and several from our [] and Ordained John D[.] Chase Bishop of that place" *First clear evidence of President Chapman having regional authority*.⁶⁰

January 8: "Brothers Snow and Wallace returned and held another meeting... and they organized this [Fort Ephraim] branch of the church by ordaining John D. Chase bishop and he is to preside over this branch of the church and he chose James T. S. Allred to be his first councilor and Paul E. Koford 2nd and they were unanimously sustained by the branch."⁶¹

January 29: Welcome Chapman wrote to Brigham Young from Manti "...feeling the need of your council and ~~and~~ instruction in organizing and carrying on the female relief

⁵³ Deseret News. August 15, 1855. Celebration of the 24th of July, 1855, at Manti.

⁵⁴ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.41,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁵⁵ Bishops' reports, 1855 October, *Bishops Reports 1848-1866*, Church History Library CR 100 592,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/4fafdf12-abf1-4bd3-8cbc-21f4dcf98f05/0/2>

⁵⁶ *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.114, Church History Library CR 4 2,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/134>

⁵⁷ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

⁵⁸ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.10
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/9>

⁵⁹ James S. Allred, *Diary*, p.10

⁶⁰ Welcome Chapman, *Diary*, January 8, 1856. Church History Library MS 23663,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/16>

⁶¹ James S. Allred, *Diary*, p.10

society I wish you to send me the necessary information and I will see that it is put in operation...”⁶²

February 3: Welcome Chapman “attended meeting it being quarterly Conference but no missionaries came”⁶³

February 11: Welcome Chapman “went to fort Ephraim and preached to the people”⁶⁴

February 12: Welcome Chapman “Met in Council with Brothers Chase Wareham and richey Brothers Coford [Kofoed] and Everett Concerning the Building up of fort Ephraim”⁶⁵

March 4: Welcome Chapman “...went to Fort Ephraim in comp with Brothers wareham and warren snow...”⁶⁶

April 6: Church statistical report:⁶⁷

- Manti, John Lowry, 389 members
- Fort Ephraim, Reuben W. Allred, 184 members

June 12: BY writes to southern bishops, including “Warren Snow, Sanpete”⁶⁸

August 24: in Manti sacrament meeting, new member received into “this Branch”⁶⁹

August 31: “Manti Branch of the Church”⁷⁰

September 7: Welcome Chapman “...attended meeting at ft[.] ephraim in company with E[.] Whiting W[.] cox and E[.] Averette...”⁷¹

September: P.E. Kofford [KWJ1-RGM] ordained bishop of Fort Ephraim [Stake MH]
John Chase has been called to settle in Carson Valley (Nevada). Kofford’s autobiographical sketch says he was never ordained.

8-9 October: Edward Hunter and counselors rebaptize and reconfirm several bishops,⁷² including:

- Warren Stone Snow, “Bishop of Manti”
- Welcome Chapman, “President of the Stake of Manti”
- Paul Earnest Kofford, “Acting Bishop at Ephraim” [note says “added by Andrew Jenson”--decades later???

⁶² CHL CR 1234 1. January 29th, 1856.

⁶³ Welcome Chapman Diary. February 3, 1856.

⁶⁴ Welcome Chapman Diary. February 11, 1856.

⁶⁵ Welcome Chapman Diary. February 12, 1856.

⁶⁶ Welcome Chapman Diary. March 4, 1856.

⁶⁷ Bishops’ reports, 1855 April, *Bishops Reports 1848-1866*, Church History Library CR 100 592, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/1758a9b4-3e1e-4315-bf93-3debdd0c5e1d/0/2>

⁶⁸ Brigham Young, letter to southern Bishops 12 June 1856, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, Miscellaneous Letterbook 1855-1877*, p.61, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 15, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/1732c22d-2937-4365-a1af-efc782ca1769>

⁶⁹ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.69, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁷⁰ Manti Ward Record of Members, p.40

⁷¹ Welcome Chapman Diary. September 7, 1856.

⁷² *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.166, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/187>

1856 October 12: Welcome Chapman "...held meeting spoke of the doings at Conference in company with Bishop Snow..."⁷³

November 9: Welcome Chapman wrote to Brigham Young "I have Baptized my family and my council and their famileys[sic]... I have been waiting for the missionaries to come and assist us in the work but we almost give up hopes[sic] of seeing them this fall as we hear they are all called back to the city but if we can be favored with some of them comeing[sic] here we would be thankful..."⁷⁴

Nov 13: BY writes to "Welcome Chapman President at San Pete."⁷⁵

November 25: Welcome Chapman "...attended high council father Millet resigned and Edwin Whiting was put in his place..."⁷⁶

December 7: Welcome Chapman "...went to ft[.] Ephraim with my Council and we all preached and organized A female relief society..."⁷⁷

December 23: "...I, Arropine...give and convey unto Brigham Young...all my claim to and ownership of...the portion of land and country known as Sanpete county..."⁷⁸

December 25: Welcome Chapman "...Commenced conference at Manti held it four days..."⁷⁹

December 25: 4 Days conference focused on the Reformation, "addressed by Stake Authorities"⁸⁰ Sustained:

- Welcome Chapman, "President of Stake" with counselors
- Warren S. Snow, "Bishop of Stake" with counselors
- High Council
- "And General Branch Authorities of the Stake"

1857

January 1: Welcome Chapman "...commenced Conference at ft[.] Ephraim and Continued until Sunday the 4..."⁸¹

⁷³ Welcome Chapman Diary. October 12, 1856.

⁷⁴ CHL CR 1234 1. November 9, 1856.

⁷⁵ Brigham Young, letter to Welcome Chapman 13 Nov 1856, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.3, p.186, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=99279f54-9c69-41a1-ac5d-e6069f9a2920>

⁷⁶ Welcome Chapman Diary. November 25, 1856

⁷⁷ Welcome Chapman Diary. December 7, 1856, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/26>.

⁷⁸ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

⁷⁹ Welcome Chapman Diary. December 25, 1856, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/27>

⁸⁰ *Manti Ward general minutes*, V.2 (1854-1862), p.80, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁸¹ Welcome Chapman Diary. January 1, 1857.

Jan 1-4: Conference at Fort Ephraim, sustain “branch authorities” P.C. Kofford Bishop with counselors, “of course Stake Authorities were also sustained”⁸²

Chapman is still presiding at almost all regular Manti Sunday meetings

24 March: BY writes to “President W.S. Snow, Manti”⁸³

May 15: 47th Quorum of the Seventies organized at Ephraim when “...President Joseph young...came to regulate the the[sic] seventies Organized the quorum...”⁸⁴

May 16: 48th Quorum of the Seventies organized at Manti – Daniel Henrie called to preside

July 13: P.C. Kofoed is bishop at Ephraim [MH] but see 1856

September 13: Welcome Chapman “...went to fort Ephraim to meeting with Brother Richey...”⁸⁵

Fall: In Manti, Caleb Edwards is often acting bishop while Warren Snow and George Peacock are with the militia in the Utah War.⁸⁶

December 20: Welcome Chapman “...with Brothers Daniel Henry Bishop Snow and Brother Peacock stoped[sic] at fort Ephraim Sunday evening and had a meeting and Called on about thirty men for a standing army...”⁸⁷

December 29: Welcome Chapman “...visited Brother Brigham Young...”⁸⁸

December: Bishop John E. Reese & Chief Tabinan discover coal ledge at Wales

1858

Jan 1-3: [ward?] Conference in Manti, President James Wareham in the absence of Chapman. “Authorities were sustained”⁸⁹

January 9: Welcome Chapman “...went to fort Ephraim in Company with Brothers Wareham Richey Cox and A[.] Billings to hold a two days meeting...”⁹⁰

February 11: Welcome Chapman “...attended prayer meeting but few there in consequence of the distance Father Morley Present and gave us good instruction...”⁹¹

⁸² *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.81,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

⁸³ Brigham Young, letter to W.S. Snow 24 March 1857, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.3, p.497, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=99279f54-9c69-41a1-ac5d-e6069f9a2920>

⁸⁴ Welcome Chapman Diary. May 15, 1857.

⁸⁵ Welcome Chapman Diary. September 13, 1857.

⁸⁶ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.73,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/72>

⁸⁷ Welcome Chapman Diary. December 20, 1857.

⁸⁸ Welcome Chapman Diary. December 29, 1857.

⁸⁹ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.77,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/76>

⁹⁰ Welcome Chapman Diary. January 9, 1858.

⁹¹ Welcome Chapman Diary. February 11, 1858.

February 17: Welcome Chapman wrote "... Brother [Erastus] Snow Preached to us in the day time..."⁹²

April: At General Conference Orson Hyde is called to preside over "Sanpete-Sevier District" *But it isn't in the public report, and he doesn't move there until 1860???*

May 23: In Manti, Fred W. Cox was sustained as second counselor to Pres. Welcome Chapman (Richey has left for the Cotton Mission)⁹³ *no mention of exactly what they are presidency of.*

June 27: visiting GA Benjamin Clapp "spoke on the prosperous condition of this Stake of Zion."⁹⁴

June: Orson Hyde arrived in Manti

July 4: In Ephraim "...President Chapman, Wareham, and Cox spoke..."⁹⁵

July 18: In Ephraim "...Bishop Snow and council spoke."⁹⁶

August: a committee is formed at Ephraim to select a location for a new settlement in the north end of the valley [Mt. Pleasant]⁹⁷ *They then travel to SLC to get permission.*

August 22: George Billings was set apart as a member of the High Council⁹⁸ *so it is still operating*

6 September 1858: After meeting with the committee in SLC, Brigham Young writes a letter authorizing the settling of Mt. Pleasant.⁹⁹ "I also wish you to select one of your member for a president, and one for a bishop."

1859

January 1: James S. Allred "...went to Manti and met in the high council..."¹⁰⁰

January 10: meeting at Ephraim to organize the **Mt. Pleasant** settlement. James R. Ivey elected as president and Reddick N. Allred as bishop (Allred declines the call).¹⁰¹

⁹² Welcome Chapman Diary. February 17, 1858.

⁹³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.101,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/100>

⁹⁴ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.107,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/106>

⁹⁵ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.14

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/13>

⁹⁶ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.15

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/14>

⁹⁷ *Mt. Pleasant Ward Record of Members*, p.1, Family History Library film 0026202; *Mt. Pleasant Ward General Minutes*, V.2 p.1, Church History Library LR 5829 11. These are both retrospective histories, not contemporary records

⁹⁸ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.117,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/116>

⁹⁹ Mt. Pleasant General Minutes, V.2 p.1; Brigham Young to John Reese et al September 6, 1858, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.4 (1858) p.362, Church History Library CR 1234 1,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/08168c23-bef7-41bb-90e4-446caa2cc86e/0/786>

¹⁰⁰ CHL MS 9619. January 1, 1859. James S. Allred Autobiography and Diary.

¹⁰¹ *Mt. Pleasant Ward Record of Members*, p.2-3, Family History Library film 0026202

January 2: “Annual Conference” in Manti¹⁰² [stake or ward?] “to correct certain improprieties existing in this valley.”

- Pres’t FW Cox: “Bro Covert [Kofford] had not been ordained Bishop of Fort Ephraim, yet he had been appointed by Brigham to act, and the people there had better sustain him.” *Kofford has been acting bishop since 1856*
- Pres’t Wareham “referred to the last reorganization of Fort Ephraim. Erastus Snow had done it with the joint counsel and connection of the Authorities in Manti showing **the latter had the oversight of Ephraim** etc.”
- Some disciplinary actions from Ephraim are dealt with relating to feelings against Kofford; “Bishop Allred” and “Bishop Covert” speak. Some had signed a petition to the first presidency requesting a new “bishop and president”
- Benjamin Clapp, one of presidency of Seventy living in Ephraim who is leading the petition drive, is excommunicated
- FW Cox claims that bishops have a “right to interfere” if something is wrong in any priesthood quorum.

Jan 15: E.T. Benson and Erastus Snow visiting Manti, apparently due to rumors of actions on the 2nd.¹⁰³ They are “satisfied with the recent actions of authorities here,” even though they “were instructed to build up a church in Manti if possible.”

January 17: “...**Ephraim** was disorganized and C. G. Edwards was chosen to act as our future bishop and president.”¹⁰⁴ [by Benson & Snow? Chapman?]

January 19: In **Ephraim** “...P. E. Koffod resigned his office and C. G. Edwards was unanimously sustained by vote to be president for the time being.”¹⁰⁵

January 19: Welcome Chapman “...put C[.] G[.] Edwards Bishop at ft[.] Ephraim in place of P[.] E[.] Coford resigned”¹⁰⁶

Feb 20: Manti sac mtg,¹⁰⁷ discussion of upcoming new settlements. Bishop Snow mentions “San Pitch and Bro. Bradley as a leader in settlement thereof” [Moroni], “Hambleton Settlement” [Mt. Pleasant?]. Pres. Chapman gives “liberty for brethren to go to new settlements” “Bro. Bradley thanked Bishop and Pres’t for this recommendation on his behalf, and that of the settlement he was about to lead.”

Mar 13: Geo. P. Billings set apart as 2nd counselor to Bishop W.S. Snow¹⁰⁸

¹⁰² *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.134,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/133>

¹⁰³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.140,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/139>

¹⁰⁴ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.18
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/17>

¹⁰⁵ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.18
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/17>

¹⁰⁶ Welcome Chapman Diary. January 19, 1859.

¹⁰⁷ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.154,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/153>

¹⁰⁸ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.159,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/158>

March 10/15/18: Sanpitch Settlement [Moroni] settled by George W. Bradley, I. Woolf, Isaac Morley, H. Gustin, G. H. Bradley, & N. L. Christenson [MH]

March: Spring City resettled by Christian Grejs Larsen – “called ‘*Little Denmark*’”¹⁰⁹

March: Jacob Hutchinson and others settle Gunnison, with Hutchinson as presiding elder [MH]

March: John E. Reese, John H. Price, Thomas Campbell, & Moses Gifford open coal mines at Coal Bed – later called Coalville then Wales. Presiding Elder John Evans Reese under Moroni Bishop until 1877 [MH]

April 17: James S. Allred wrote “...Caleb G. Edwards chose Christian Christensen to be his first councilor and myself to be the second.”¹¹⁰

20 April: **Mt. Pleasant** resettled by James Ivie, William S. Seely, David Jones, & Isaac Allred¹¹¹ “...*The settlement was commenced this last spring*...”¹¹²

April 22: George Bradley and the settlers “on the Sanpitch” name their settlement **Moroni**. [MH]

Summer: first settlers at North Bend (Fairview) [MH]

July 10: George A. Smith and Amasa Lyman “proceeded to organize the Mt. Pleasant Branch by ordaining William Stewart Seely as *Bishop of said Branch*.”¹¹³

George Peacock, George A. Smith & Amasa Lyman “...started for **Mount**

Pleasant...organized a branch of the church – William S. Seeley was ordained bishop.”¹¹⁴

James S. Allred wrote “...went to **Mount Pleasant** with brothers Smith and Lyman and heard them preach and they organized that place by putting William Seely in Bishop and president.”¹¹⁵

George A. Smith: “I nominated Br. William Stewart Seely and seconded and was unanimously elected President and Bishop of **Mount Pleasant**.”¹¹⁶ mp:700392
They then visit the nascent Coal Bed settlement (Wales)

¹⁰⁹ Deseret News. September 14, 1859. Another Settlement.

¹¹⁰ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). P.19, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/18>

¹¹¹ *Mt. Pleasant Ward Record of Members*, p.1, Family History Library film 0026202

¹¹² San Pete County Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.9 #21 (July 27, 1859) p.161, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2588821>

¹¹³ *Mt. Pleasant Ward Record of Members*, p.6, Family History Library film 0026202

¹¹⁴ San Pete County Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.9 #21 (July 27, 1859) p.161, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2588821>

¹¹⁵ James S. Allred, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 9619 (typescript). p.20 <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/cacd6a43-7eb9-4cdb-b348-ce2ee27d758d/0/19>

¹¹⁶ George A. Smith Letter, 1859 July 8-30, *Historian's Office Collected historical documents, 1851-1869*, Church History Library CR 100 397, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b1793977-aae6-4e67-8daf-629ef9ce05f1/0/0>

July 11: "...Elders Smith and Lyman preached to the congregation in their usual powerful way, after which Caleb G. Edwards was unanimously sustained and ordained bishop of Ephraim branch."¹¹⁷ MH says ward

July 12: George Peacock, George A. Smith & Amasa Lyman visited and "...by a vote of the people, Geo. W. Bradley was ordained **president and bishop** of the **Moroni** branch."¹¹⁸

George A. Smith: "We ordained Geo. Washington Bradly Bishop of Moroni."¹¹⁹
mp:700392 On their way to Nephi, they find George W. Johnson at Uinta Springs, scouting a site for a settlement [Fountain Green]

July 13: George A. Smith in Manti, "spoke as Church Historian, procuring and preserve records of *branches* and individuals..."¹²⁰

July 23: Manti ward records have header "Stake of Manti Church History 1859"¹²¹

July 28th: Settlers arrive at Little Denmark (Spring City) a second time, PE George Black. [MH]

August: George W. Johnson, James S. Holman, & Christian Ottosen settled Fountain Green

Sep 10: BY writes to "**Pres.** William S. Seely, Mount Pleasant"¹²²

1859 October 1: President Welcome Chapman presided over a meeting in Mt. Pleasant where he chose James N. Jones to preside over a new settlement [Fairview] – James N. Jones was sustained by the congregation [MH]

1859 October: James N. Jones, Henry W. Sanderson, Jehu Cox, Isaac Y. Vance, and Lindsay A. Brady settled Northbend [Fairview]

1859 October: "...The Post Master[sic] General has established a Post Office at Moroni..."¹²³

1859: "...there came many sorrows among the people in Manti, because of the conditions there between the Bishop and his counselors."¹²⁴

¹¹⁷ San Pete County Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.9 #21 (July 27, 1859) p.161, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2588821> .

¹¹⁸ San Pete County Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.9 #21 (July 27, 1859) p.161, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2588821>

¹¹⁹ George A. Smith Letters 1859, *Historian's Office collected historical documents, 1851-1869*, CR 100 397, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=b1793977-aae6-4e67-8daf-629ef9ce05f1&crate=0&index=7>

¹²⁰ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.187, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/186>

¹²¹ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.3 (1857-1859)*, p.191, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/b91c0639-6a82-4dd6-bf93-cfff59c7634b/0/190>

¹²² Brigham Young, letter to William S. Seely Sep 10 1859, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.5*, p.238, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123>

¹²³ *Deseret News*. October 26, 1859. New Post Office.

¹²⁴ H. J. Hals Autobiography pg. 7

Brigham Young appointed Jacob Hutchinson as bishop of new Gunnison settlement¹²⁵
The first location was 3 miles east of the Sevier River on the south bank of the Sanpitch, in T19S R1E

1860

There is no mention of Hyde's call to Sanpete County in the Historian's Office Journal or Brigham Young's office journal, January-June 1860

1860 January 7: Stake Conference: O. Hyde Presiding, E.T. Benson present, W. Chapman, president of the stake and high council; W.S. Snow, presiding bishop; C. G. Edwards, bishop of Ft. Ephraim; G.W. Bradley, bishop of Moroni; W. Seeley, Bishop of Mount Pleasant; G. Black delegate from Limhi; Br. Jones, delegate from North Bend; R. Johnson, delegate from Mountain Green. Also present is Bishop Jacob Bigler of Salt Creek [Nephi]. [Is Nephi part of Sanpete Stake?] "...at Manti... Prest. Hyde called on the presiding officers of the various **branches** of the stake, to represent the condition of their respective **wards**. Prest. Chapman spoke in relation to the condition of the Saints in Manti... Bishop W. S. Snow followed, representing the Church in Manti... Bishop C. G. Edwards represented the Branch at Ephraim... Bishop Bradley of Moroni, represented his Ward... Bishop Seeley of Mount Pleasant, represented the Saints in his Ward... The Branch at Limhi, (Canal Creek) [Spring City] was represented by Elder George Black. Elder G. W. Johnson represented the settlement at Uinta Springs, or Fountain Green. Elder James Jones represented the settlement at North Bend [Fairview], and Elder [John E.] Reese the Coalville [Wales] settlement."¹²⁶

Jan 7: Conference. "present of the Twelve Orson Hyde & E.T. Benson and Bishops W.S. Snow [presiding/Manti], Geo W. Bradley [Moroni], W. Seeley [Mt. Pleasant], and C.G. Edwards [Ephraim] with their counsels and many brethren from other branches of the stake."¹²⁷ Hyde presiding [as regional authority or as President of the Twelve?] Hyde asks for "presiding officers" to speak: President W Chapman, Bishop W.S. Snow representing his "branch" [**Manti**], "Bishop C.G. Edwards (of Fort **Ephraim**)" representing his "ward," "Bishop G.W. Bradley (of **Moroni**)" representing "Moroni City," "Bishop W. Seeley" representing "**Mount Pleasant**," George Black representing "Limhi" [**Spring City**], "Bro Johnson of Uinta" [**Fountain Green**] "they had no organized so he had taken the responsibilities of leading", James Jones representing North Bend Settlement [**Fairview**] (no organization), Elder Reese representing Coalville [Wales], "Elder Christiansen of Fort Ephraim" [president??] On

¹²⁵ *Sanpete Stake General Minutes*, V.2 p.2, Church History Library LR 8046 11; Gunnison Ward History (1887), *Gunnison Ward general minutes*, V.9 p.3, Church History Library LR 3518 11

¹²⁶ Minutes of a Conference, *Deseret News*, V.9 #49 (8 Feb 1860) p.392, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2590489>

¹²⁷ *Manti Ward general minutes*, V.2 (1854-1862), p.106, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

Feb 8, Jacob Bigler (Bishop of Nephi) speaks, but he is visiting, not formally representing his ward.

1860 January 8: "Conference continued... President Hyde spoke... Elder E. T. Benson addressed the congregation... Conference adjourned..."¹²⁸

January: C.G. Larsen appointed bishop of Spring City [MH] *At this conference with the apostles?*

1860 February 7: Brigham Young, Orson Hyde, and Daniel H. Wells attended a party at the Social Hall in Salt Lake City

Spring: North Bend [**Fairview**] Branch organized, P.E. James A. Jones, Jehu Cox counselor[?]

Spring: Fairview Elders Quorum organized "by appointment of Bishop Jones"¹²⁹

Spring: several families from Springville (including H.H. Kearnes) settle 3 miles west of Gunnison at Chalk Hill Point.¹³⁰

6 April: General bishops meeting includes representatives from the "Sanpete" and Moroni Wards.¹³¹

April 25: Mt. Pleasant unit leadership excommunicates a woman at "*a meeting of the Bishop and Council for adultery and murder.*"¹³²

May 20: Manti sac mtg, "Bishop Peacock" refers to the "authorities of the branch."¹³³

May 27: "...President Chapman wrote [Bishop Seeley] a letter requesting him to move [his cattle] away [from Bishop Jones' land], and restore good feelings but still to no purpose."¹³⁴

June 12: Orson Hyde starts from Salt Lake with his family to settle in Sanpete County¹³⁵
This marks the beginning of Hyde's long term as the regional president

June 15: Mt. Pleasant was visited by "Elders O. Hyde, F. W. Cox, James Wareham, W. Chapman and Bp. C.G. Edwards."¹³⁶

June 17: Orson Hyde speaks in Manti sac mtg "referred to his arrangement to locate in this place; his instructions from the prophet... to feed the sheep and to preach the

¹²⁸ Deseret News. February 8, 1860. Minutes of a Conference.

¹²⁹ *Sanpete Stake Melchizedek Priesthood Minutes*, V.7 p.11. Church History Library LR 8046 13. This portion of the record is not a contemporary record, but a retrospective recollection, so references to the Bishop may have been incorrect

¹³⁰ Gunnison Ward History (1887), *Gunnison Ward general minutes*, V.9 p.3, Church History Library LR 3518 11

¹³¹ *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>

¹³² Mt. Pleasant Branch General Minutes. April 25, 1860. Pg. 9.

¹³³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.132, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹³⁴ Fairview Ward Minutes. May 27, 1860.

¹³⁵ *Historical Department Office Journal*, V.24 (1859-1860), p.201, Church History Library CR 100 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/3beadf40-afa7-46ec-8e22-94c240e6b3e9/0/211>

¹³⁶ Mt. Pleasant Branch General Minutes. June 15, 1860. Pg. 9.

Gospel to the saints who needed teaching...**he did not design to interfere with Sanpete authorities only through necessity.**"¹³⁷

June 23: Welcome Chapman "...Left Manti about ten a[.]m[.] in company with Elders O[.] Hyde J[.] Wareham and F[.] W[.] Cox [] arrived at ft[sic] Ephraim and [] meeting at 12 pm...and went to spring[sic] town[sic] ten miles and held a meeting. held a meeting at Mount Pleasant sunday[sic] in the forenoon and in the afternoon held a meeting at north bend" (Fairview) "organized the Branch ordained James Jones Bishop and left for Moroni held a meeting at Moroni..."¹³⁸

June: Six settlements in Sanpete County

July 1: "...Elder O[.] Hyde [addressed] the congregation assembled at the schoolhouse" in Mt. Pleasant¹³⁹

July 1: Elisha Jones wrote "...this day Elder O[.] Hide[sic] preached at North Bend [Fairview]..."¹⁴⁰

July 6: Orson Hyde mentions visiting settlements at Fort Ephraim, Moroni, Springtown, Mt. Pleasant, North Bend [Fairview], Fountain Green, and the Coal Bank [Wales]. He reports recent organizing meeting at North Bend where James N. Jones was ordained bishop, and suggests changing its name, "...with your consent, and the peoples, I think I will call Fairview..."¹⁴¹

July 19: A Presiding Bishop's meeting in Salt Lake City was attended by "Warren Snow, Bishop of Sanpete"¹⁴²

July 24: "...at Mount Pleasant... the assembly was dismissed with benediction by Bishop Wm. S. Seely... at Moroni... The Presidency of the Branch... proceeded through the principal streets of the city... The procession then proceeded to the residence of Bishop G. W. Bradley, where he was received by an escort of riflemen... Prayer by the Chaplain, N. Higgins... addresses were also delivered by Bishop J. G. Bigler, of Nephi..."¹⁴³

¹³⁷ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.135 (17 June 1860), <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹³⁸ Welcome Chapman Diary. June 25, 1860. <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/45>

¹³⁹ Mt. Pleasant Branch General Minutes. July 1, 1860. Pg. 10.

¹⁴⁰ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁴¹ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young July 6 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1860-1861*. Church History Library CR 1234 1, box 40 folder 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=45c3a8f0-5e61-43b3-951e-acd1ffaeda98&crate=0&index=0>

¹⁴² *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1851-1862*, p.314, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d6ef2526-92a6-45f5-9906-6879ac3353b3/0/341>

¹⁴³ Correspondence, *Deseret News*, August 8, 1860.

Aug 12: Manti sac mtg, “the bishop added further instruction on necessity of quorum authorities acting in unison with Branch authorities.”¹⁴⁴ During this time, Chapman is still presiding on Sundays, Orson Hyde only mentioned occasionally.

1860 September 5: Brigham Young wrote a letter from Salt Lake to “...Elder James Wareham (SP Counselor)... You have been selected to go on a mission...it will be necessary for you to be here, in readiness to cross the plains, by the 25th...”¹⁴⁵

Nov 1-3: Special meetings in Manti with visiting First Presidency.¹⁴⁶

Nov. 6: President Chapman is present at a high council meeting [MH] *So Chapman and the high council are still operating at this point.*

Nov 13: BY writes to “Bishop W.S. Snow, Manti”¹⁴⁷

Nov 19: BY writes to Orson Hyde, concurring in a decision made by Hyde in a divorce case involving Bishop George Bradley of Moroni.¹⁴⁸ *This suggests that he is acting in a presidential role.*

November 28: Orson Hyde wrote to Brigham Young from Manti because of investigations regarding “...Bishop Warren S[.] Snow... My own opinion is that you had better collect in all property there is, and place the keys of the tithing department in this place in more careful and particular hands...”¹⁴⁹

December 9: First meetinghouse/schoolhouse built in North Bend

First meetinghouse/schoolhouse built in Fountain Green and a branch is organized with presiding elder R.L. Johnson [EH]

Christian Grejs Larsen moves to Springtown as unit leader

1861

Jan 13: Manti “divided into 5 wards to be subject to building committee for new meeting house.”¹⁵⁰ These appear to be temporary districts, not ecclesiastical wards.

Feb 3: Orson Hyde speaks in Manti, makes some reference to accusations about George Peacock of the bishopric, and maybe others¹⁵¹

¹⁴⁴ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.144

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁴⁵ HBL Vault MSS 693. Other.

¹⁴⁶ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.156,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁴⁷ David O. Calder, letter to W.S. Snow 13 Nov 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.7*, p.31, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/867b28d5-f5ea-44bb-b228-516179bc010a/0/0>

¹⁴⁸ Brigham Young, letter to Orson Hyde 19 Nov 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.5*, p.635, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123>

¹⁴⁹ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young November 28, 1860, *Brigham Young Office Files*, Church History Library CR 1234 1.

¹⁵⁰ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.144

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁵¹ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.167

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

February 7: Orson Hyde wrote a letter to Brigham Young from Summit Creek “The following is the copy of a letter addressed to Prest[.] Welcome Chapman to be read on the stand at Manti on Sunday next which will show you something of the state of things there and my view concerning them.”¹⁵² The letter was read on Feb 17.¹⁵³

February 10: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...Rachel Ann Blessed By Father Isaac Morley[,], Bis[hop] James N[.] Jones[,], Jehu Cox[,], Y[.] Y[.] Vance and Elisha Jones at meeting...”¹⁵⁴

February 11: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...in council with the council and Pres[.] Chapman[,], Cox and Father Morely[sic]...”¹⁵⁵

March 10: At a meeting of the Twelve,¹⁵⁶ Brigham Young sends Orson Hyde and G.A. Smith to “go through the settlements South and settle the difficulties...I will send Brother Moffit to Sanpete, we will ordain him a bishop and let him preside there...we will send Bishop Snow of Sanpete & George Peacock on a long mission”

March 14: “Special Meeting [at Manti], Elder O. Hyde being present”¹⁵⁷ [*yes, he was rarely present*] discussing an issue with Bishop Snow and George Peacock [counselor?], which he says is being investigated. Snow publicly apologies, and Hyde forgives them (apparently Brigham Young had advised him to resolve the issue amicably), but 2nd Counselor Billings wants the investigation continued to clear their names.

A good description of this affair is given in a biography of Snow.¹⁵⁸

March 19: Orson Hyde “started for Manti with Bishop Edwards, called a few of the Brethren together in council, Judge Snow, Prest. Chapman, Walter Cox, George Billings, then home to Springtown” *This suggests that Hyde is living in Spring City by now, is in charge, and is there a working stake organization?*

March 19: Warren Snow has resigned as Manti Bishop [amid accusations of misuse of tithing, and having been called on a mission]. Orson Hyde visits **Mt. Pleasant Ward**.¹⁵⁹

¹⁵² CHL CR 1234 1. February 7, 1861.

¹⁵³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.170

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁵⁴ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁵⁵ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁵⁶ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1860-1865*, p.120, Church History Library MS 1352,

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/801702bf-e607-4f0d-82d0-e0f84b8c2406/0/125>

¹⁵⁷ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.174

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁵⁸ John A. Peterson, *Warren Stone Snow, A Man in Between: The Biography of a Mormon Defender*, History Master's Thesis, Brigham Young University, 1985.

https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/81496837?cid=mem_copy

¹⁵⁹ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young March 19 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1860-1861*. Church History Library CR 1234 1, box 40 folder 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=de11bf05-0acf-42c1-8a38-b8d9ab7ee63d>

March 20: Orson Hyde travels to the Sevier Settlement [Gunnison], advises the two settlements to merge; a new town is surveyed at the current location, and “a regular *branch* organization was affected, with H.H. Kearnes as Bishop, Jacob Hutchinson having resigned on account of ill health.”¹⁶⁰ MH says Kearnes was initially presiding elder, bishop later, see 6/22/1862

April 8: First settlers arrive at Warm Creek [**Fayette**] [MH]

April 10: In a letter, Brigham Young formally calls Andrew Moffitt [KWJ4-LX4] to be bishop in **Manti Ward** to replace Warren Snow.¹⁶¹ He states that Moffitt has already been ordained and set apart, so this letter is more of a public recommendation to the members than news to Moffitt.

April 15-16: public court for Snow and Peacock, Pres. O. Hyde, and three independent “councillors” [judges], including Isaac Morley.¹⁶² Both are reprimanded for minor infractions but not disfellowshipped or excommunicated. *No high council?*

April 21: In Manti sac mtg, “Pres’t Chapman introduced And. Moffat who had been appointed by President Young to supercede Warren S. Snow as Bishop of **Manti Branch or Ward**.”¹⁶³ Moffatt did not have counselors until 1870 [MH]

In Manti General Minutes since 1860, it is apparent that President Chapman and the Bishop are still handling the day-to-day duties, and Orson Hyde is only intervening in extraordinary situations. After this affair, he seems to speak in church more often, but is not running the meetings. The question remains, is Chapman the president of Sanpete County, just Manti, or serving two roles?

April: Warm Creek [Fayette] settlement established

April: Orson Hyde attends General Conference and remains in Salt Lake

June: Orson Hyde returns to Sanpete

June 22: Orson Hyde mentions Manti Bishop Andrew Moffit and the “Sevier Settlement” [**Gunnison**]¹⁶⁴

August 15: Andrew Moffitt writes BY about the Sevier Settlement, led by “Brother Jacob” (Hutchinson) but not doing very well.¹⁶⁵

¹⁶⁰ Gunnison Ward History, *Gunnison Ward general minutes*, V.9 p.3, Church History Library LR 3518 11

¹⁶¹ Brigham Young, letter to Andrew Moffitt April 10 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.5, p.755, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123&crate=0&index=1550>

¹⁶² *Manti Ward general minutes*, V.2 (1854-1862), p.180 <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁶³ *Manti Ward general minutes*, V.2 (1854-1862), p.181 <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁶⁴ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young June 22 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1860-1861*. Church History Library CR 1234 1, box 40 folder 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=b0b421c3-b506-4048-b787-65d8e2c0583e>

¹⁶⁵ Andrew Moffitt, letter to Brigham Young August 15 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence, General Letters, Me-N 1861*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 28 folder 11, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=7bfed033-2ed3-4df3-abef-301b52592897>

7 Oct: General bishops meeting includes representatives from Sanpete, Mt. Pleasant, Fort Ephraim, North Bend, and Fountain Green “Wards.”¹⁶⁶

November 13: Welcome Chapman wrote a letter to Brigham Young from Manti “...it is my desire to volunteer my services as a workman, to cut stone for the temple...”¹⁶⁷
So Chapman wants to leave; what is his status as stake president??

Nov 21: Orson Hyde discusses the “Sevier Settlement” [Gunnison]: former bishop Jacob [Hutchinson] has recovered from his illness, but Hyde prefers to leave [H.H.] Kearns in as bishop. Mentions that B. Young had “placed Jacob there” so he wants his advice.¹⁶⁸ BY responds on the 28th to concur with Hyde’s intention.¹⁶⁹

November 26: Brigham Young responds to “President” Chapman, accepting his offer to work on the temple. “You are at liberty to leave all the affairs pertaining to your presidency in the care and charge of Bishop Andrew Moffitt.”¹⁷⁰

1862

January 1: Welcome Chapman “...went to the north bend and Mount Pleasant and ~~preach~~-preached at both places...”¹⁷¹

January 5: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...*Pres[.] Chapman preached to day[sic]...*”¹⁷²

Feb 3: Manti Sunday meeting mentions President Chapman, Bishop Moffatt, President [F.W.?] Cox [?]¹⁷³

February 16: Welcome Chapman “...held a meeting at ft[sic] Ephraim in company with FW Cox”¹⁷⁴

¹⁶⁶ 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>

¹⁶⁷ CHL CR 12341. November 13, 1861.

¹⁶⁸ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young November 21 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1860-1861*. Church History Library CR 1234 1, box 40 folder 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=e0fc5630-537f-4f61-a77b-59ca6714faeb>

¹⁶⁹ Brigham Young, letter to Orson Hyde 28 Nov 1861, Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.6, p.48, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=0c8e23c5-4d6a-446f-8d81-108a52bd39c4>

¹⁷⁰ Brigham Young, letter to Welcome Chapman 26 Nov 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.5, 1858-1861*, p.923, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123&crate=0&index=1886>

¹⁷¹ Welcome Chapman Diary. January 5, 1862. <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/47>

¹⁷² HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁷³ *Manti Ward general minutes, V.2 (1854-1862)*, p.95-96, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/dda78231-96b9-4f40-b27a-5f339e23bdf5/0/0>

¹⁷⁴ Welcome Chapman Diary. February 16, 1862. <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/d871e2d5-8560-48fb-b200-de4606bb3be3/0/47>. From here Chapman does not write in this diary again until 1866, giving no record of his leaving Sanpete to work on the Salt Lake Temple.

8 Mar: Orson Hyde visits Mt. Pleasant, counselors for Bishop Seely sustained.¹⁷⁵

April: Orson Hyde attends General Conference

April: Frederick W. Cox [K2QX-D9M] called on a mission to England

May 11: Orson Hyde and Bishop Bradley of Moroni “ordained... Bro. Robert Johnson, Bishop of Fountain Green.”¹⁷⁶

June 22: Henry H. Kearnes ordained “bishop of Fort Gunnison or the Sevier Branch” by Orson Hyde¹⁷⁷

July 24: In Fountain Green “...W. Chapman, R. L. Johnson, E. Collard, C. Ottison, M. Caldwell and R. C. Moore favored the assembly with appropriate addresses...”¹⁷⁸

August 6: Welcome Chapman speaks at Fountain Green

September 6: James Wareham “...arrived in Salt Lake City...being too[sic] years...since I left on My Mission to the states...”¹⁷⁹

September 28: At North Bend [Fairview] Elisha Jones wrote “...*Pres[.] Hyde preached to day[sic]...*”¹⁸⁰

October: Orson Hyde attends General Conference

October 6: General Bishops Meeting includes representatives from Gunnison, North Bend, and Moroni Wards¹⁸¹

November 21: 66th Quorum of Seventies organized in Mt. Pleasant – Levi B. Reynolds called to preside

Swedish Apostasy

Coal fields opened in Coalville

Warm Creek [Fayette] organized as a dependent branch of Gunnison, Pres. Branch Young [MH]

1863

January 25: Orson Hyde is in Salt Lake

February 8: Perry McArthur dropped from his position as counselor to Bishop Seeley in Mt. Pleasant

April 20: Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, George A. Smith, John Taylor, Lorenzo Snow and others visited Mt. Pleasant¹⁸²

¹⁷⁵ Mt. Pleasant Ward general minutes, p.74

¹⁷⁶ Ordinations in Sanpete County, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.13, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁷⁷ Ordinations in Sanpete County, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.13, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁷⁸ Deseret News. August 6, 1862. Though Small, Not Least.

¹⁷⁹ HBLL MSS SC 129. James Wareham Journal #2.

¹⁸⁰ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁸¹ *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.16, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁸² Mt. Pleasant Ward general minutes, p.47

April 24: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...*President Young visited our place...*”¹⁸³

April 25: “...at North Bend in San Pete County, the chiefs Anterro, Tabby, George and old Sawiett and many other chiefs and braves, visited President Young and company at the house of Bishop Jones.”¹⁸⁴

April 25: Brigham Young visited Springtown and Mt. Pleasant

April 26: Orson Hyde and Brigham Young visited Fort Ephraim

May 25: “The foundation of a meeting house laid in Moroni... first corner stone laid by President and Bishop G. W. Bradley at the South East Corner. High Priest the Second corner the Seventies laid the third corner and the Elders laid the fourth...”¹⁸⁵

June 7: Orson Hyde writes to Brigham Young about the bishops he has influence over

June 8 – [Orson Hyde mediates conflict between Bishop Jones and Bishop Seeley]

June 21 – [Orson Hyde writes to Brigham Young that he has rebuked David Candland]

June 22: Jehu Cox wrote to Brigham Young from Mt. Pleasant “...Pres[.] O[.] Hyde & Bishop Jones of North Bend on their return trip from an inspection of Spanish Fork Canyon Road...”¹⁸⁶

June 28: At Mt. Pleasant “...the people of Moroni, Springtown, Fairview, and Mount Pleasant met... resulting in the voluntary motion by Mt. Pleasant... that Bro. Hyde be sustained in his decision respecting the waters of Cedar Creek...”¹⁸⁷ Speakers include Bp. Jones of Fair View, Bp. Seely of Mt. Pleasant, Bishop Larson from Spring Town

August: Orson Hyde traveled to Salt Lake and remained until after General Conference

October 18: Justus Wellington Seeley was sustained a counselor to William S. Seeley of Mt. Pleasant

October: Orson Hyde in Salt Lake for General Conference before returning to Sanpete

October 25: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...at meeting the bishop dropped Y[.] Y[.] Vance as his secon[d] councillor[sic]...”¹⁸⁸

November 6: C. G. Edwards [Ephraim], Andrew J. Moffitt [Manti], G. W. Bradley [Moroni], R. L. Johnson [Fountain Green], Y. Hansen [??], C[.] G[.] Larsen [Springtown], Wm[.] S[.] Seely [Mt. Pleasant], and James N[.] Jones [North Bend] wrote to Brigham Young from Ephraim “*In canvassing our Wards respecting the amount of grain there is at present in them we find that when our Tithing, Taxes & other debts are paid, the surplus will be very limited indeed...*”¹⁸⁹

November 23: Brigham Young, John Taylor, and Orson Hyde, visited Mt. Pleasant

¹⁸³ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁸⁴ J. H. April 25, 1863.

¹⁸⁵ HBLL MSS 2388 Fd.1. May 25, 1863. Joseph Shepherd Journal.

¹⁸⁶ CHL CR 12341. June 23, 1863. CR 12341_b0029_f0008_00069 - 00070.

¹⁸⁷ CHL CR 12341. June 28, 1863. CR 12341_b0040_f0003_00035 - 00036 - 00037 - 00038.

¹⁸⁸ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁸⁹ CHL CR 12341. November 6, 1863.

November 23: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...*President Young and Company visited us...*”¹⁹⁰

1864

Jan 4: High Council only has 7 standing members, but is still functioning with regional jurisdiction [MH]

February 13, 1864 – [Orson Hyde rejected Lawrence Edler’s proposal to form a new settlement]

May 31: Orson Hyde reports on a trip to the “new settlements on the Sevier,” including Gunnison (Bishop Kearnes).¹⁹¹

June [July??] 24: At North Bend Elisha Jones wrote “...Elder O[.] Hyde was her[sic] and accepted the resignation of my brother James as bishop of fairview and appointed Andrew Peterson President...”¹⁹²

July 30: “On Sunday last,” (24th) Bishop Jones of Fairview resigns and Orson Hyde ordains Andrew Petersen as President and acting Bishop.¹⁹³

October: Orson Hyde traveled to Salt Lake for General Conference and returned to Sanpete

Nov 3: Orson Hyde mentions Moroni (Bishop Bradley) and Ephraim (Bishop Edwards), also a Bishop Bryan [Nephi?].¹⁹⁴

December: Orson Hyde traveled to Salt Lake

25 Dec: Mt. Pleasant has 4 wards (not full wards)¹⁹⁵

John E. Metcalf becomes president of Fayette Branch [MH]

1865

April: Orson Hyde attends General Conference

¹⁹⁰ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁹¹ Orson Hyde, letter to George A. Smith 31 May 1864, *George A. Smith papers, General Correspondence, Incoming Letters, F-J 1864*, MS 1322, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=685e0065-336a-4bea-bb7e-2ae861de2304&crate=0&index=21>

¹⁹² HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

¹⁹³ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young 30 July 1864, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1864-1865*, CR 1234 1 box 40 folder 4, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=9c30caa0-daf4-4543-9085-38754ee0d46a>

¹⁹⁴ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young 3 November 1864, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1864-1865*, CR 1234 1 box 40 folder 4, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=09b302eb-127f-47e6-b5d3-e5d0b4e0455b>

¹⁹⁵ Mt. Pleasant Ward General Minutes, p.59

May 12: Letter from Fairview Bishop Andrew Peterson discusses dispute with Spanish Fork Bishop Thurber over jurisdiction of Thistle Valley [Indianola].¹⁹⁶

May 13: BY addresses a letter to "Bishop Andrew Peterson" at Fairview.¹⁹⁷

May 26: Andrew Peterson, "President of Fairview" reports to Bishop Seely (Mt. Pleasant) and Orson Hyde.¹⁹⁸ *Is Fairview a dependent branch of Mt. Pleasant?*

May 27: "...John Gavin, wife and four children were killed in Thistle Valley..."¹⁹⁹

June 3: Hamilton Henry Kearnes, "Bishop of **Gunnison**," writes to George A. Smith.²⁰⁰

June 24: Patriarch Isaac Morley dies in Fairview

June: Orson Hyde travels to Southern Utah with Brigham Young

July 7-19: Brigham Young visits Sanpete to investigate the Black Hawk War

July 10: Brigham Young visits Moroni

July 11: Orson Hyde and Brigham Young visit Mt. Pleasant

July 12: Brigham Young visits Mt. Pleasant

July 14: Brigham Young visits Manti

July 15: Brigham Young visits Manti

July 16: Orson Hyde and Brigham Young visit Manti

July 30: Organization of the "*Mount Pleasant Sunday School*"²⁰¹

August 14: "Died... In Fairview... James N. Jones, aged 55 years..."²⁰²

August 14: In Heber Elisha Jones wrote "...news of the death of my brother James he died...at fairview..."²⁰³

October: Orson Hyde returns to Sanpete

Fifteen settlements in Sanpete County

Black Hawk War begins in Manti

¹⁹⁶ Letter from Andrew Peterson to Brigham Young, May 12 1865, *Brigham Young Office Files, Incoming Correspondence*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 30 folder 15 p.40
https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE3961398

¹⁹⁷ Brigham Young, Letter to Andrew Peterson, May 13, 1865, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.7, p.615, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6 V.7

¹⁹⁸ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young 26 May 1865, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1864-1865*, CR 1234 1 box 40 folder 4, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=81746321-d857-4c31-9edf-ea738c580c4a>

¹⁹⁹ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

²⁰⁰ H.H. Kearnes, letter to George A. Smith, June 3 1865, *George A. Smith Papers, General Correspondence, Incoming Letters, H-K, 1865*. Church History Library MS 1322,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=a2a3962e-38bf-4466-ac96-df3e6843f696&crate=0&index=55>

²⁰¹ Deseret News. October 7, 1868. Editorial Correspondence.

²⁰² Deseret News. October 12, 1865. Died.

²⁰³ HBLL MSS SC 2870 Fd.1. Elisha Jones Papers.

1866

April 5: General bishops meeting resumes after a few years hiatus.²⁰⁴ Ward reps include bishops of Fountain Green, Ft. Ephraim, and Gunnison.

April-May: Reports to PB Edward Hunter from Bishop Robert Lewis Johnson—Fountain Green, Bishop G.W. Bradley—Moroni, Wm S. Seely—Mt. Pleasant, Bishop Andrew Peterson—Fairview, Orson Hyde and Bishop C.G. Larsen—Springtown, Bishop C.G. Edwards—Ephraim Ward, Bishop A.J. Moffitt—Manti Ward, Bishop H.H. Kearnes—Gunnison.²⁰⁵

April 8: At Springtown “Blessing on the head of Sanford Allred...given under the hands of James Allred Patriarch...”²⁰⁶

May 4: “Pres. O. Hyde” at Mt. Pleasant, reads a proclamation to the saints in central Utah, mentions “Bishops and People of these settlements.” Settlements of less than 150 families should move to larger settlements during hostilities.²⁰⁷

May: Fairview abandoned, temporarily move to Mt. Pleasant.²⁰⁸

June 20: Daniel H. Wells arrives in Sanpete with the State Militia

3 August: “Pres. O. Hyde” visits Mt. Pleasant as Fairview saints are getting ready to return “and also that there was a little dissatisfaction with their presiding officers.”²⁰⁹ He supports Acting Bishop Petersen, but the people ask him to choose someone else. He calls Amasa Tucker who is sustained and ordained a high priest. *Bishop or Acting Bishop??* MH says he was ordained as bishop.

August: Fairview resettled

September 18: Orson Hyde appoints N.C. Christensen to temporarily preside over **Ephraim** while Bishop Caleb Edwards is sick in Provo. The Bishop returns in mid-October [MH]

October: Orson Hyde attends General Conference in Salt Lake

12 October: BY writes “President Orson Hyde”²¹⁰

Settlers abandoned Fountain Green, and Wales

1867

January 7: “John Lowry, Sen... died...”²¹¹

²⁰⁴ *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>

²⁰⁵ *Perpetual Emigrating Fund Company outfitting reports, 1866*, Church History Library CR 376 13 box 1 folder 8, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/113df13e-01c6-4df6-93f9-2e176579add0/2>

²⁰⁶ HBLL MSS 2388 Fd.7. April 8, 1866. Loose Papers.

²⁰⁷ Mt. Pleasant Ward General Minutes, V.2 p.99

²⁰⁸ Mt. Pleasant Ward General Minutes, V.2 p.101

²⁰⁹ Mt. Pleasant Ward General Minutes, V.2 p.101

²¹⁰ Brigham Young, letter to Orson Hyde 12 October 1866, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.9*, p.191, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=954ebbd5-0620-40f5-86f3-97fa7dbab8f6>

²¹¹ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

January 27: C. G. Edwards wrote to Brigham Young from Ephraim “Owing to the feebleness of my health, I hardly feel able to perform the duties of my calling... Bros. Hyde & Musser both have said to me... that I should be released and some other person take my place...”²¹²

February: Orson Hyde returns to Sanpete

Feb 18: BY writes Canute Peterson in Lehi, calling him to be “Bishop of **Fort Ephraim** in the stead of Bishop C.G. Edwards, who has been released in consequence of poor health.”²¹³

March 17: Ephraim Ward meets to sustain Canute Peterson as its bishop with counselors [MH]

June 19: Canute Peterson wrote a letter from Ephraim to his family in Lehi“...*I think if you was up here you would like it well enough*...”²¹⁴

summer: Orson Hyde leaves Sanpete to tour northern settlements with Brigham Young

October 6: Brigham Young, Orson Hyde, and Daniel H. Wells attended a meeting in the Salt Lake Tabernacle

October: Orson Hyde attends General Conference in Salt Lake

October: Orson Hyde returns to Sanpete

December 4: Canute Peterson wrote to Orson Hyde from Ephraim “According to appointment we went to day[sic] to meet the Committee from Manti to divide the land... Bishop Moffitt said that he was [] opposed to give us one inch of the land... I think they will survey it immediately & thus deprive us from obtaining the land that you are willing we should have, if you in any way could prevent them from doing it you could favor Ephraim very much...”²¹⁵

December 8: Brigham Young requests that all bishops reorganize Relief Societies

December 17: “Caleb G. Edwards died at Ephraim...”²¹⁶ [CC]

Reddick Newton Allred becomes unit leader in Chester

Black Hawk War ends

1868

April 25: In first of a series of published Church directories, the following are listed:²¹⁷

- County President of Sanpete, Sevier, & Piute Counties: Orson Hyde (Springtown)
- Sanpete County

²¹² CHL CR 12341. January 27, 1867.

²¹³ Brigham Young, letter to Canute Peterson 18 February 1867, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.9, p.378, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=954ebbd5-0620-40f5-86f3-97fa7dbab8f6/0/763>

²¹⁴ CHL MS 8241. June 19, 1867.

²¹⁵ CHL CR 12341. December 4, 1867.

²¹⁶ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

²¹⁷ Church Directory, *Salt Lake Daily Telegraph*, V.4 #253 (25 April 1868) p.4

- Fountain Green: R L Johnson
- Moroni: George W Bradley
- Mount Pleasant: William S Seeley
- Fairview: Amasa Tucker
- Springtown: C G Larson
- Ephraim: Canute Peterson
- Manti: Andrew J Moffatt
- Wales: John Rees
- Gunnison: H H Kearns

May 2: Fred Olsen ordained bishop of Springtown Ward [MH]. *This conflicts with Bishop Larsen's resignation not being accepted until July 30*

May 11: George A. Smith "...held meetings in Springtown and Fort Ephraim, where we met Pres. Hyde..."²¹⁸

May 13: George A. Smith "...left Manti...for Gunnison, accompanied by Bishop Wm. Seeley, and D. Candland..."²¹⁹

May: Organization of the "Mount Pleasant Female Relief Society"²²⁰

June 14: Relief Society was organized in Fairview with Mary A. Pritchett as president

July 14: BY writes "Bishop Amasa Tucker, Fairview"²²¹

July 30: BY writes Orson Hyde, acknowledging the resignation of Springtown bishop Larsen, authorizing him to call someone else.²²²

August 4: Last of a series of published Church directories, same as April 25.²²³

August: BY writes to Bishop H.H. Kearnes, asking him to resign as bishop of Gunnison²²⁴

September 23: At "Springtown... A two hours' meeting was held here, during which Elders Joseph F. Smith, John Van Cott, Joseph Young, Wilford Woodruff, Geo. Q. Cannon and Pres. D. H. Wells addressed the people."²²⁵

²¹⁸ Deseret News. May 27, 1868. Correspondence.

²¹⁹ Deseret News. May 27, 1868. Correspondence.

²²⁰ Deseret News. October 7, 1868. Editorial Correspondence.

²²¹ Brigham Young, letter to Amasa Tucker 14 July 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.10*, p.939, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

²²² Brigham Young, letter to Orson Hyde 30 July 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.10*, p.953, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

²²³ Church Directory, *Salt Lake Daily Telegraph*, V.5 #25 (4 Aug 1868) p.4

²²⁴ Brigham Young, letter to H.H. Kearnes, August 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.10*, p.964, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

²²⁵ Deseret News. October 7, 1868. Editorial Correspondence.

September 23: At “Fort Ephraim... a School of the Prophets was organized, and a public meeting was held in the Bowery...”²²⁶ [Bishop] Canute Peterson as president of SotP.²²⁷

September 24: “On entering Manti... the company was conducted by Bishop A. J. Moffit to a stone school house...”²²⁸

Mid-October: Brigham Young personally calls Joseph Horne to be bishop of Gunnison²²⁹

20 November: BY writes Elder Jos. S. Horne, formally calling him to serve as bishop of Gunnison to replace H.H. Kearnes, who has resigned.²³⁰

23 December: Bishop Horne is presented to Gunnison saints by Pres. Orson Hyde and sustained.²³¹

1869

Feb 1: status of “wards” in Central Utah includes: Fountain Green 80 families, “Wales (Coal Bed)” 15 families, Moroni 120 families, Fairview 80 families, Mount Pleasant 340 families, Springtown 125 families, Ephraim 300 families, Manti 190 families, Gunnison 93 families (Joseph Horne on a “mission” there), “Fayette (Warm Creek)” 11 families, but does not say anything about stake organizations.²³²

1869 June: “*Female Relief Society...*” organized in Fairview²³³

Sep 15: BY writes George W. Bradley in Moroni: “We wish you to resume your position of Bishop of Moroni City”²³⁴ *was he gone on a mission?*

Orson Hyde, Bishop Johnson, and Bishop Peterson make peace with Chief Tam-a-rits and Chief Blackhawk at Fort Ephraim

1870

Spring: James Wareham [KWVZ-9T2] “...was Chosen President of the high Counsel of this stake of zion Manti and set apart by Orson Hyde...”²³⁵

²²⁶ Deseret News. October 7, 1868. Editorial Correspondence.

²²⁷ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1865-1872*, p.145, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/0c76d480-00aa-4210-9334-12a578908f1f/0/151>

²²⁸ Deseret News. October 7, 1868. Editorial Correspondence.

²²⁹ Joseph S. Horne, *Autobiographical Sketch*, p.15, Church History Library MS 8041

²³⁰ Brigham Young, letter to Joseph S. Horne 20 Nov 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.11*, p.161, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 8, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/967db140-f060-437f-b583-794f7affa2d0/0/402>

²³¹ Joseph S. Horne, *Autobiographical Sketch*, p.15, Church History Library MS 8041

²³² A Milton Musser, letter to Brigham Young Feb 1 1869, *Brigham Young Office Files, General Letters, 1840-1877, Th-Y, 1860*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 33 folder 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=0dae9154-9128-4927-8ac1-3a7f9cc94918>

²³³ Deseret News. June 28, 1871. Local and other Matters.

²³⁴ Brigham Young, letter to George W. Bradley Sep 15 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.11*, p.787, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 8, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=967db140-f060-437f-b583-794f7affa2d0>

²³⁵ HBLL MSS SC 129. James Wareham Journal #2.

March 9: Orson Hyde “and the presidency of the south end of Sanpete County”

organize “a High Council for the cities and towns of Ephraim, Manti, Gunnison, and Fayette,” ordained by Hyde, F.W. Cox, and A.J. Moffitt: James Wareham, William Robinson, Niels C. Christianson, Warren S. Snow, Luther Tuttle, Hans Jenson, Christian A. Madsen, Charles C. N. Dorius, William T. Reid, Peter Greaves, Henry Beal, Simon Hansen²³⁶ [Stake MH, citing “A. Jenson Notes”] *How does this align with the North Sanpete Stake of 1874? Who is the presidency-Cox? Is Moffitt a presiding bishop over this area? James Wareham, who had also been part of the stake presidency, is the new first high councilor, probably its president.*

e-mail from CHL librarian Tyson Thorpe 26 Feb 2025, who was able to look through the confidential minutes for me: “Volume 1 has an entry for 9 March 1870 where Orson Hyde and other presiding officers of the south end of Sanpete County met to form a high council to cover Ephraim, Manti, Gunnison, and Fayette. This is likely the separate stake mentioned, though they don't call it that in the minutes. It is simply a high council. They adjourned until 16 March 1870. The volume then includes minutes of that meeting where named brethren were sustained and set apart...There is a gap in entries after 1864 until the March 1870 meetings mentioned. After those, the high council does meet about every four weeks until August 1870, though most entries state there was no business so they were just adjourning until the next meeting. After the August entry, the next doesn't appear until 2 February 1871. It is the sole 1871 entry and the last entry until 1877.”

May 20: Indians made a treaty with President Orson Hyde

May 27: BY writes “the President of the High Council, Manti”²³⁷ (James Wareham?) The First Presidency is agreeing to hear a case appealed from the Manti High Council and asks for more information. *This is the only evidence I can find of this high council functioning, if only we had the confidential minutes!*

Willow Creek settlement [Axtell] established as part of Gunnison Ward

1871

February 5: “...the new meeting-house...was dedicated by President Orson Hyde.”²³⁸

Feb 11: Territorial Legislature incorporates Spring City, the first use of this name.

²³⁶ Sanpete Stake, Confidential Minutes, 9 March 1870, Church History Library LR

²³⁷ Brigham Young, letter to Manti High Council 27 May 1870, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.12, p.152, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/c91a2db1-a2f0-470d-ac3a-324c44e06cd1/0/377>

²³⁸ Deseret News. March 15, 1871. Local and Other Matters.

Feb 23: Canute Peterson (Ephraim Bishop) called by Brigham Young to preside over the Scandinavian Mission²³⁹ While he is gone, counselor Lars S. Anderson officiates as acting bishop [MH]

Feb 23: In a letter to Brigham Young, Orson Hyde begs for Canute Peterson to stay in Ephraim rather than a mission to preside over Denmark.²⁴⁰ Also mentions “Ex-Bishop C.G. Larsen of Spring City.” BY responds that Peterson is the best person for the job.

March: “Brother Peterson seems to be using due diligence in preparing for his mission...”²⁴¹

April 4: mention of “Bishop Andrew J. Moffatt of Manti”²⁴²

May 31: Horses were stolen from Fairview & “President Hyde has acted with judgement in the matter, holding to the terms of the treaty.”²⁴³

Fall: first settlers in Twelve Mile Creek [Mayfield] [EH] as Indians are moved from the former reservation there.

First settlers at Draper [Freedom] [MH]

1872

April 22: BY writes “Bishop Jos. S. Horne, Gunnison”²⁴⁴

May 7: When Joseph A. Young takes charge of the “Sevier District” in 1872, it includes Gunnison and Fayette^{245 246}

May 19: Orson Hyde introduces Joseph A. Young to Sevier County

May 23: Orson Hyde wrote a letter to Brigham Young from Spring City “On Monday morning last, I left Joseph A. at Richfield all well. I introduced him to the people in

²³⁹ Brigham Young, letter to Canute Peterson 23 Feb 1871, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.12, p.544, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 8, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/c91a2db1-a2f0-470d-ac3a-324c44e06cd1>

²⁴⁰ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young 23 Feb 1871, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1870-1874*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 40 folder 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=42c4295e-bda3-4cb5-98ab-0bb5618a79e3>

²⁴¹ CHL CR 12341. March 6, 1871. CR 12341_b0040_f0007_00014 - 00015.

²⁴² Local and Other Matters, *Deseret News*, V.20 #10 (12 April 1871) p.117, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2608251>

²⁴³ *Deseret News*. June 7, 1871. Home News.

²⁴⁴ Brigham Young, letter to Joseph S. Horne 22 April 1872, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, p.50, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁴⁵ *Gunnison Ward History (1887)*, *Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.52, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁴⁶ First Presidency, open letter 7 May 1872, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, 1872-1875, p.69, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=d67ba765-d117-4513-aec2-2cdfe8cbfcd9&crate=0&index=228>

his field of labor in as advantageous a manner as I could. He was well received..."²⁴⁷

July 6: "Manti...On the stand were President O. Hyde, Bishops Moffitt and Seeley..."²⁴⁸

July 7: "President Hyde occupied a goodly portion of the time both days in advising and teaching the Saints..."²⁴⁹

July 13: "Present on Saturday, President O. Hyde, Bishop Olsen and councilors of Spring City, Bishop J. Horne of Gunnison..."²⁵⁰

July 14: "...present to day[sic] in addition to those of Saturday were... Lars Andersen, Acting Bishop of Ephraim, **Bishop's Councilors of Moroni, Bishop Seeley being detained through sickness.**"²⁵¹

July 25: BY writes "Elder H.F. Petersen, Ephraim" about a matter that suggests that he was presiding there.²⁵² *Is he presiding instead of Lars Andersen?*

August 11: Orson Hyde "...disorganized the little branch of **Fayette**... They fall back under the jurisdiction of Prest[.] Horn of Gunnison until it shall please the Presidency of the Church to select and send a man there to preside over that branch..."²⁵³

September 7: "...Apostle Orson Hyde, Bishops Wm. S. Seeley, Amasa Tucker, Frederick Olsen... and other citizens met a number of Chiefs..."²⁵⁴

1873

February: first settlers at Sixmile Creek, later called Pettyville then Stirling [EH]

March 19: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops lists (no presiding bishops):²⁵⁵

- Fountain Green, R.L. Johnson
- **Moroni**, G.W. Bradley
- **Fairview**, Amasa Tucker
- Mount Pleasant, W.S. Seeley
- **Spring City**, Frederick Olsen
- **Ephraim**, Kanute Petersen
- **Manti**, A.J. Moffitt

²⁴⁷ CHL CR 12341. May 23, 1872.

²⁴⁸ Deseret News. July 24, 1872. Correspondence.

²⁴⁹ Deseret News. July 24, 1872. Correspondence.

²⁵⁰ Deseret News. August 7, 1872. Correspondence.

²⁵¹ Deseret News. August 7, 1872. Correspondence.

²⁵² Brigham Young, letter to H.F. Petersen 25 July 1872, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.13*, p.150, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁵³ Orson Hyde, letter to Brigham Young 12 August 1872, *Brigham Young office files, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Church Leaders and Others, Orson Hyde, 1870-1874*, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 40 folder 7 item 26, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=8d9a650a-455c-4c6f-8507-795b4990a82d>

²⁵⁴ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

²⁵⁵ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.22 #7 (March 19 1873) p.103, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2622070>

- **Gunnison**, J.S. Horne
- **Fayette**, John Bartholomew

March 24: BY writes “Elder L.S. Anderson, Acting Bishop Ephraim”²⁵⁶

July 24: Canute Peterson [Ephraim Bishop] returned to Utah from mission in Europe;
Acting Bishop Lars Anderson leaves on a mission [MH]

September 18: First Presidency writes to “the President of the High Council, Manti” asking the high council to take up a case.²⁵⁷

October: Orson Hyde traveled to Salt Lake for General Conference

December 5: Orson Hyde wrote to Brigham Young from Spring City “On my return from Ephraim last night I found my children, three of them, very sick... The Bishops are holding meetings to night[sic]... There was not time at Ephraim to attain to a full understanding of the matter. It was Bishop Peterson of Ephraim who asked me the above question, which I was unable to answer...”²⁵⁸

1874

April 30: Gunnison United Order organized by Joseph A. Young, “president of this District”²⁵⁹ *So it is clearly part of the Sevier District by then*

May 1: Orson Hyde wrote to Brigham Young from Spring City “Since I saw you, I have held meetings in Fountain Green, Ephraim, and in Manti and have endeavored to pave the way for the introduction of the United Order...”²⁶⁰

May 9: General Conference begins and focuses on the “United Order”

May 17: Orson Pratt & John Taylor “...held two meetings at Mount Pleasant, where we had the pleasure of meeting President Orson Hyde, whom we gladly hailed as president of that district...”²⁶¹[This would be Sanpete County but not Sevier]

May 26-30: Pratt and Taylor organize United Orders: **Manti**, Pres. (& Bishop) Andrew J. Moffit; **Ephraim**, Pres. Canute Peterson; **Spring City**, Pres. Frederick Olsen; **Sanpete County**, Pres. Orson Hyde (VP Kanute Peterson and Wm S. Seely); **Fairview**, Pres. Amasa Tucker; **Moroni**, Pres. George W. Bradley; **Fountain Green**, Pres. (& bishop) R. L. Johnson.²⁶²

²⁵⁶ Brigham Young, letter to L.S. Anderson, 24 March 1873, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, p.310, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁵⁷ First Presidency, letter to Manti High Council, 18 Sep 1873, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, p.454, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁵⁸ CHL CR 1234 1. December 5, 1873.

²⁵⁹ *Gunnison Ward History (1887)*, *Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.69, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁶⁰ CHL CR 1234 1. May 1, 1874.

²⁶¹ Meetings and Organizations in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, *Deseret News*, V.23 #27 (August 5 1874) p.429, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2612827>

²⁶² Meetings and Organizations in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, *Deseret News*, V.23 #27 (August 5 1874) p.429, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2612827>

May 14: U.O. organized in Twelve Mile Creek [Mayfield] as part of Gunnison U.O., President M.T. Sorensen²⁶³ *Was Mayfield a dependent branch of Gunnison?*

May 24: When the Sevier Stake is organized, it appears to still include Gunnison.²⁶⁴

Gunnison Bishop Joseph Horne remembers “Gunnison and its Branches were added to Sevier Stake of Zion”²⁶⁵ *Presumably, this would be branches at Fayette, Mayfield, and maybe Willow Creek [Axtell].*

May 28: “...a meeting was held, here in Mount Pleasant, for the purpose of organizing a High Council, a Stake of Zion and a branch of the United Order of Zion, and a county organization... Orson Hyde, Orson Pratt and John Taylor were present... The organization of the County of Sanpete was then presented – Orson Hyde, President; Kanute Peterson, first Vice President; W. S. Seely, second Vice President; Wm. Blain, Secretary; James A. Allred, Treasurer; Wm. S. Seely, Frederick Olison, Kanute Peterson, Andrew J. Moffit, directors... The organization of **a stake of Zion, in the north part of Sanpete County** was then attended to, as follows – President, Wm. M. Seely; first councilor, Peter J. Jenson; second counselor, Justus W. Seely. For High Councilors, Christoffer[sic] Johnson, William F. Reynolds, Orange Seely, Edward Cliff, Colman Joplin, Andrew Madsen, Abraham Day, Jens Miller Christenson, R. H. Allred, John H. Robinson, Archibald Anderson, Thomas Davis...”²⁶⁶

August 11: Orson Hyde wrote to Brigham Young from Spring City “I have given instructions to our Bishops to give no more letters of recommendation to foreigners who have not their naturalization papers, to go to the house of the Lord to receive there the ordinances of that sacred place... Am I right in this counsel, or am I too rigid?”²⁶⁷

Sep 29: Sevier Stake Pres. Joseph A. Young visits **Fayette**, where they complain about being part of Gunnison; a separate branch is organized, Pres. John Bartholemew.²⁶⁸ *Fayette and Gunnison are part of Sevier Stake at this time*

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.”²⁶⁹

²⁶³ *Gunnison Ward History (1887), Gunnison Ward General Minutes, V.9 p.73, Church History Library LR 3518 11*

²⁶⁴ *Gunnison Ward History (1887), Gunnison Ward General Minutes, V.9 p.73, Church History Library LR 3518 11*

²⁶⁵ Joseph S. Horne, *Autobiographical Sketch*, p.17, Church History Library MS 8041

²⁶⁶ Meetings and Organizations in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, *Deseret News*, V.23 #27 (August 5 1874) p.429, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2612827>

²⁶⁷ CHL CR 1234 1. August 11, 1874.

²⁶⁸ *George W. Bean Diary and Account Book*, Church History Library MS 7625, p.30, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=4c2b46c6-f846-4f8a-ac8e-a64b4366c942&crate=0&index=29>

²⁶⁹ 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>

Six Mile Creek [Stirling] organized as a dependent branch of Manti Ward [EH]

1875

March 5: Amasa Tucker wrote to Brigham Young from Fountain Green "...the land in Thistle Valley has all been filed[sic] upon and several families are living their[sic] at the present..."²⁷⁰

April: Orson Hyde travels to Salt Lake for General Conference

Summer: "The presidency of Sevier Stake saw fit to organize wards at Mayfield and Willow Creek [Axtell]," formerly dependent branches of Gunnison Ward.²⁷¹ *But this conflicts with Mayfield records, which only say a branch was organized in 1876. This is a later reminiscence and details may be wrong.*

June 20-25: during his tour of Sanpete County, Apostle FD Richards visits Fountain Green, Bp. Robert L. Johnson; Fairview/North Bend, Bp. Amasa Tucker; Ephraim, Bp. Canute Petersen.²⁷²

June 21: George Q. Cannon recorded in his journal "... We then drove over to Moroni and I was invited to stop at Bro. Swenson's, the first counsellor of the Bishop..."²⁷³

23 June: During meetings in Mt. Pleasant with visiting leaders, passing references to "Bishop Seeley" (not president)²⁷⁴

June 25: At meetings in Sanpete Valley the construction of a temple is announced by Brigham Young²⁷⁵ Unit leaders are asked to sustain the plan: ²⁷⁶ Bp Peterson of Ephraim, Bp Tucker Fairview, Bp Seeley Spring City, Bp Olsen [Spring City], Bp Bradley [Moroni]. *It looks like they are still trying to decide on a site between "the temple block" in the middle of town or "Quarry Hill"*

June: Orson Hyde is replaced by John Taylor as President of the Quorum of the Twelve

July: Reformation meeting in Gunnison Ward led by Sevier Stake President Joseph A. Young, most members rebaptized.²⁷⁷

July 31: At a conference in Provo, BY ordains "John Maiben Bishop for Manti"²⁷⁸

²⁷⁰ CHL CR 1234 1. March 5, 1875. CR 12341_b0036_f0006_00005 - 00006 - 00007 - 00008.

²⁷¹ Joseph S. Horne, *Autobiographical Sketch*, p.17, Church History Library MS 8041

²⁷² Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.23 p.209, Church History Library MS 1215,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/bb9586d0-592c-4022-8de0-e69849f1c172/0/0>

²⁷³ The Journal of George Q. Cannon. June 21, 1875.

²⁷⁴ Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.15 (1872-1875) p.219, Church History Library MS 1236,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/5802005f-e23f-4658-99ef-4a4afd79e1d7/0/228>

²⁷⁵ *Sanpete Stake Minutes*, 1875 June 23, p.45, 47. Church History Library LR 8046 29,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/7c06e855-655c-4b73-ab11-81798eade403/0/44>

²⁷⁶ Brigham Young, Jr., *Journals*, V.16 (1875) p.24, Church History Library MS 1236,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/509c3730-595a-43e0-abe5-5b91467e7dbd/0/27>

²⁷⁷ *Gunnison Ward History (1887)*, *Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.91, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁷⁸ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1873 Jan - 1880 Feb*, p.135, Church History Library MS 1352,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/eb07ddd8-d258-43b3-82fd-1b0bc186b269/0/134>

August 11: John B. Maiben has been ordained a High Priest and set apart by Brigham Young as the Bishop of Manti to replace A.J. Moffatt²⁷⁹

17 Sep: BY writes "Bishop W.S. Seeley, Mount Pleasant" about a matter in Thistle Valley [Indianola] that Fairview Bishop Tucker has been dealing with.²⁸⁰ *So he seems to have regional authority, even though he is called bishop.*

Nov 18: A.K. Thurber reports on the situation in Sevier County after Young's death, "Since our appointment to the temporary presidency of this district by Bro. Wells while in-[?] for St. George...", mentions visiting Gunnison.²⁸¹ *[part of Sevier Stake?]*

Dec 29: New list of Presiding Elders and Bishops, recent changes:²⁸²

- **Manti**, John B. Maiben

Dover settlement established, part of Fayette Branch [Fayette MH]

Joseph A. Young (Sevier Stake President) dies in Manti

1876

Jan 7: Brigham Young grants the residents of **Wales** the authority to organize, with the help of Orson Hyde.²⁸³

February 17: "Temporary Organization" of Mayfield by "Presidents Albert K. Thurber & Wm Seegmiller" (Sevier Stake), "Ole C. Olsen Bishop <President>"²⁸⁴ *President was filled in later-maybe Andrew Jenson's handwriting?? EH says Olsen was made president of "New London" across the creek from Mayfield; was "New London" just the original name of Mayfield? Record shows branch teachers councils starting April 6 with Olsen presiding.*

May 13: Two days' meeting at Gunnison, with Sevier Stake [acting] presidents Thurber and Seegmiller. They present "C. A. Madsen as appointed by President Young to take charge of affairs in Gunnison in Bishop Horne's absence."²⁸⁵ *Thurber and Seegmiller are frequently mentioned in this record for the next several months.*

²⁷⁹ Brigham Young, letter to A. J. Moffatt 11 August 1875, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.13*, p.787, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁸⁰ Brigham Young, letter to W.S. Seeley 17 Sep 1875, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.13*, p.863, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/93fd7376-7e4a-4d1a-a011-b5966c6fd559>

²⁸¹ A.K. Thurber, letter to Brigham Young 18 November 1875, *Brigham Young Office Files*, General Correspondence, Incoming, General Letters, St-To 1875, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 36 folder 5, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=8dd54238-8403-4819-8771-e45cb8f8e74a>

²⁸² Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #48 (December 29 1875) p.755, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2643418>

²⁸³ Brigham Young, letter to John E. Rees, 7 Jan 1876, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.14*, p.109, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/8ee2bf6f-8a90-4bd6-943d-532c27f3aae2/0/338>

²⁸⁴ *Mayfield Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.1, Church History Library LR 5358 11

²⁸⁵ *Gunnison Ward History (1887)*, *Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.99, Church History Library LR 3518 11

Gunnison (and Fayette and Mayfield) is clearly part of Sevier Stake. Horne was called on a mission to Switzerland.

June: Brigham Young visited Gunnison

July 29: BY writes "Bishop A.C. Madsen, Gunnison"²⁸⁶

September 24: Two Days Meeting (stake conference) in Ephraim, "President Hyde" presiding, all of the bishops present.²⁸⁷

October 14: Beginning of Gunnison Ward records, "Bishop C.A. Madson"²⁸⁸

December 1: Carl Kjeldgaard Hansen ordained a High Priest by Jehu Cox

December 22: Final published list of Bishops and Presiding Elders, changes in 1876:²⁸⁹

- **Wales**, John E. Rees

Milburn settlement established

Branch organized in Thistle Valley, PE Jefferson Tidwell

Branch organized in New London (south side of Mayfield) by Sevier Stake Presidency, Pres. Ole C. Olsen [EH]

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Feb 5: Mayfield teachers quorum meeting refers to "Bishop Olsen"²⁹⁰ *and in subsequent meetings, but it still call itself a "branch."*

April 24: "The Temple site at Manti was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies..."²⁹¹

1877 April 25: "The site for the Temple at Manti was dedicated by President Brigham Young."²⁹²

July 4: "Organization of the San Pete Stake of Zion."²⁹³ BY, OH, GQC, BY Jr present.

- Canute Peterson, President, with counselors
- High Priests quorum presidency and high council
- Ephraim Ward split into North (Bp L.S. Anderson.) and South (Bp C.C.N. Dorius.) Wards
- Manti Ward split into North (Bp Wm T. Reid.) and South (Bp Hans Jensen.) Wards
- Mt. Pleasant Ward split into North (Bp Orange Seely.) and South (Bp W.S. Seely) Wards

²⁸⁶ Brigham Young, letter to A.C. Madsen, 29 July 1876, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.14*, p.405, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/8ee2bf6f-8a90-4bd6-943d-532c27f3aae2>

²⁸⁷ Conference in Sanpete, *Deseret News*, V.25 #37 (11 October 1876) p.587, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2624447>

²⁸⁸ *Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.5 p.57, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁸⁹ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.10 #27 (December 22, 1876) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23166497>

²⁹⁰ *Mayfield Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.4, Church History Library LR 5358 11

²⁹¹ HBLL MSS SC 1866. History of Manti Manuscript.

²⁹² J.H. April 25, 1877

²⁹³ *Sanpete Stake General Minutes*, V.2 p.1, Church History Library LR 8046 11

- Fountain Green, Bp. R.L. Johnson
- Moroni, Bp John W. Irons.
- Fairview, Bp. Amasa Tucker.
- Spring City, Bp. F[rederick] Olsen.
- Chester, Bp. R[eddick] N. Allred.
- Wales, Bp. John E. Reese.
- Freedom, Bp. Henry Draper
- Pettyville, Bp. Wm J. Petty.
- Mayfield, Bp. O.C. Olsen. *Moved from Sevier Stake*
- Gunnison, Bp. C.A. Madsen. *Moved from Sevier Stake*²⁹⁴
- Fayette, Bp. John Bartholemew. *Moved from Sevier Stake*

July 7: above stake and ward leaders ordained, including those already serving,²⁹⁵ but not W.S. Seely or Henry Draper. Also Jefferson Tidwell is ordained a bishop in Thistle Valley (not a ward?)

July 11: Gunnison Ward fully organized by Erastus Snow and Stake President Peterson²⁹⁶

August 5: Report of completed San Pete Stake organization (*but does not say when or how it was organized*):²⁹⁷

- Canute Peterson president, with counselors and MP quorums, high council.
- Ephraim North Ward: Bp. L.S. Anderson; Ephraim South Ward: Bp. C.C.N. Dorius
- Manti South Ward: Bp. Hans Jensen; Manti North Ward, Bp. Wm. T. Reid
- Mount Pleasant South Ward: Bp. W.S. Seely; Mt. Pleasant North Ward: Bp. Orange Seely
- Fairview Ward: Bp. Amasa Tucker
- Spring City: Bp. F. Olsen
- Fountain Green, Bp. R.L. Johnson
- Moroni: Bp. John W. Irons
- Canal District (now named Chester): Bp. Redick N. Allred
- Wales: Bp. John E. Reese
- Freedom: Bp. Henry Draper
- Mayfield: Bp. O.C. Olsen
- Gunnison: Bp. C.A. Madsen
- Fayette: Bp. John Bartholemew

²⁹⁴ *Gunnison Ward History (1887), Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.134, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁹⁵ *Sanpete Stake General Minutes*, V.2 p.2, Church History Library LR 8046 11

²⁹⁶ *Gunnison Ward History (1887), Gunnison Ward General Minutes*, V.9 p.134, Church History Library LR 3518 11

²⁹⁷ Organization in Sanpete, *Deseret News*, V.26 #28 (August 15 1877) p.433
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2627751>

- Pettyville: Bp. Wm. G. Petty
- Thistle Valley: Bp. Jefferson Tidwell [not a ward]

August 22: Brigham Young wrote a letter to "...President Canute Peterson Ephraim, Utah Territory... Inasmuch as it is probable that quite a number of the brethren, who have sold out in Thistle Valley to facilitate its occupancy by the Lamanites, will not desire to settle in Castle Valley... we should be pleased to have you make inquiry and find out what brethren in the Stake of Zion over which you preside would like to settle there..."²⁹⁸

22 September: Bishop Orange Seely of Mt. Pleasant North Ward is called as Bishop of the planned settlements of Castle Valley and leaves soon thereafter; his Mt. Pleasant counselors act in his stead [EH]

September 22: At a stake bishops meeting, they look in the Manti records for previously appointed bishops: ²⁹⁹

- John Lowry, Bishop of Manti mentioned 26 Aug 1850
- Warren S. Snow appointed Bishop of Manti 15 April 1855
- Andrew J. Moffitt appointed Bishop of Manti 21 Apr 1861
- John B. Maiben ordained Bishop 2 Aug 1875 by BY to preside in Manti
- John Hutchinson mentioned as bishop of Gunnison 1859
- Hamilton H. Kearns appointed bishop of Gunnison 1861
- Joseph S. Horn mentioned as bishop of Gunnison Nov 1868

Late September: colonizing company from Fairview settles Huntington

20 October: Orange Seely leads a company from Mt. Pleasant to settle in Castle Valley (Castle Dale)

November 17: "The first Quarterly Conference of the Sanpete Stake convened in the Ephraim...present, of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, Wilford Woodruff, Orson Hyde and Lorenzo Snow; Elder George Teasdale, President of the Juab Stake, President Canute Peterson and Counselors Henry Beal and J. B. Maiben. Conference was called to order by President Peterson... The following statistical report was read: The Sanpete Stake consists of 18 wards..."³⁰⁰

November 18: "The general authorities of the Church were then presented by George Taylor and unanimously sustained. Also the following authorities of this Stake: Canute Peterson as President of the Sanpete County Stake of Zion; Henry Beal as his first counselor, John B. Maiben as his second counselor. F. W. Cox, President of the High Priests Quorum; W. S. Snow first counselor, H. C. Christiansen second

²⁹⁸ HBLL MSS SC 1584. Brigham Young Letter.

²⁹⁹ *Sanpete Stake General Minutes*, V.2 p.14, Church History Library LR 8046 11

³⁰⁰ Editorial Notes, *Deseret News*. V.26 #44 (December 5, 1877) p.696.

<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2629231>, *Sanpete Stake General Minutes*, V.2 p.5, Church History Library LR 8046 11

counselor. High Council - James Wareham, Luther T. Tuttle, Parlan McFarlan, Wm. Anderson, C. L. Thorpe, Andrew J. Moffatt, A. C. Nielsen, A. S. Nielsen, J. P. Christensen, Wm. Bowden, Niels Anderson, A. H. Lund. Patriarchs - Gardner Snow, James Works, S. C. Thura, W. H. Allred. Bishops. North Ephraim – L.S. Anderson, bishop; H. F. Peterson and Andrew Thomson, counselors. South Ephraim – C. C. N. Dorius, bishop; Geo. Taylor and Lewis Olsen, counselors. North Manti – Wm. T. Reid, bishop; Henry Parson and J. H. Wodskov, counselors. South Manti – Hans Jensen, bishop; J. Crawford and S.C. Hansen, counselors. North Mt. Pleasant – N. P. Madsen and P. M. Piel, acting bishops. South Mt. Pleasant – Wm. S. Seely, bishop; J. Christensen and Wm. F. Reynolds, counselors. Fairview – Amasa Tucker, bishop; Phillip Hurst and Niels Larson, counselors. Spring City – F. Olsen, bishop; J. A. Allred and R. Justeson, counselors. Moroni – John W. Irons, bishop; Geo. W. Bradley and P. Olsen, counselors. Fountain Green – R. L. Johnsen, bishop; Morten Lund and Reuben Carter, counselors. Wales – John E. Reese, bishop; H. O. Reese and Thomas Davis, counselors. Gunnison – C. A. Madsen, bishop; Jens Hanson and John E. Metcalf, counselors. Mayfield – O. C. Olsen, bishop; Henry Jensen and Thomas A. Williams, counselors. Pettyville – Wm. G. Petty, bishop; J. L. Peacock, and James P. Edwards, counselors. Freedom – Henry Draper, bishop[;] J. G. Draper and A. O. Smith, counselors. Fayette – J. Bartholemew, bishop; John James and J. Bartholemew, Jun., counselors. Chester - R.N. Allred, bishop; J.L. Ivie and John Tilby, counselors. Castle Valley - Orange Seely, bishop.”³⁰¹Castle Valley was not yet a ward

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15 Jan: List of wards and bishops, including Sanpete Stake³⁰² mp:700350

- L S Anderson, Ephraim (North)
- C C M Dorius, Ephraim (South)
- Wm T Reid, Manti (North)
- H Jensen, Manti (South)
- N P Madsen & P M Piel (acting), Mount Pleasant (North)
- Wm S Seeley, Mount Pleasant, South
- F Olsen, Spring City
- E L Johnson, Fountain Green
- Henry Draper, Freedom
- Wm G Petty, Pettyville
- C A Madsen, Gunnison
- Orange Seeley, Castle Valley

³⁰¹ Editorial Notes.

³⁰² Names of Presidency and Bishops of the Organized Stakes of Zion, *Deseret Evening News*, V.11 #45 (15 Jan 1878) p.6, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23168119>

- Amasa Tucker, Fairview
- John W Irons, Moroni
- John E Reese, Wales
- R N Allred, Chester
- O C Olsen, Mayfield
- J Bartholemew, Fayette
- Canute Peterson, President of Stake

November 20: Niels Peter Madsen ordained bishop of Mt. Pleasant North Ward [EH]

November 28: Orson Hyde dies in Spring City

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