

1854

7 June: missionaries arrive at Santa Clara, under Indian Mission Pres. Rufus C. Allen (who lived at Harmony)

1855

May 21: Cedar Stake organized, including Harmony and everything south of it. ¹²
Fall: Pine Valley first settled

1856

Fall: Pinto settled
Tonaquint settled

1857

Spring: Jacob Hamblin (Indian Mission President) appoints Richard S. Robinson as PE of Pinto
May 6: Settlers arrive at Adair Springs [Washington]³
May 7: **Washington Branch** organized by Cedar Stake Pres. Isaac C. Haight, Pres. Robert D. Covington⁴
August 4: BY writes to Jacob Hamblin: "You are hereby appointed to succeed Elder R.C. Allen, whom I have released as president of the Santa Clara Indian Mission. I wish you to enter upon the duties of your calling immediately."⁵
First settlers at Gunlock

1858

Feb 10: Tonaquint/Heberville settled

¹ Wilford Woodruff, Synopsis of journey of President Young and company while on their visit south, *Brigham Young office files*: Journals, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 73 folder 9 p.5, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=ea6dab4a-600f-4001-b105-050632a26592&crate=0&index=5>

² *General Church Minutes*, CR 100 318 box 3 folder 4 image 91-96, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=dd038821-c013-4b0a-81cf-5ebc600c300f&crate=0&index=90>

³ *Historian's Office history of the Church, 1839-circa 1882*, Church History Library, CR 100 102 box 11 V.27 (1857) p.207, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=35df55b6-077a-41fb-af92-b4a2f62a0bef&crate=0&index=216>

⁴ William H. Crawford Letter, 1857 May 7, *Historian's Office collected historical documents, 1851-1869*, Church History Library CR 100 397, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=057efceb-1703-41e6-bbe8-90fb397aee66&crate=0&index=1>

⁵ Brigham Young, letter to Jacob Hamblin 4 August 1857, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.3*, p.737, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=99279f54-9c69-41a1-ac5d-e6069f9a2920>

Apr 10: **Toquerville** settled, sent by Cedar Pres. Isaac Haight, Joshua T. Willis presiding [branch?].⁶ About this time, Pinto, Pine Valley, Washington, and Toquerville Branches are attached to Harmony Ward, Cedar Stake

April 10: Toquerville Branch organized [CC]

Aug 1: George A. Smith ordains Robert Duchey Covington as Bishop of **Washington** and Zadok Judd as bishop of **Santa Clara** (on the 2nd), Cedar Pres. IC Haight present.⁷ mp:700310

Aug 10: **Toquerville Branch** organized by George A. Smith, Pres. Joshua T. Willis⁸

1859

Spring: Harrisville settled, PE Silas Harris, under authority of Washington Ward⁹ [originally at mouth of Cottonwood/Quail Creek on the Virgin, moved upstream and renamed Harrisburg in Spring 1861]

April: Nephi Johnson finishes wagon road up Hurricane Cliffs, Pocketville [Virgin City] laid out, Branch Pres. Nephi Johnson (appointed by Cedar Pres. Isaac C. Haight), attached to Harmony Ward, Cedar Stake¹⁰

June: Zadoc K. Judd ordained Bishop of Santa Clara by George A. Smith¹¹

July 17: Pinto Branch organized, PE Richard S. Robinson, attached to Santa Clara Ward¹²

July 29: Cedar Stake disorganized by George A. Smith.¹³ *What is the status of the southern wards? Parowan? A letter from Smith (CR 100 397) mentions visiting Cedar City, but doesn't say what he did there.*

October 31: mention of "R.D. Covington, Bishop of **Washington**"¹⁴

Pine Valley organized as a branch, PE John Hawley, attached to Santa Clara Ward¹⁵

December: Grafton settled, led by Nathan C. Tenney¹⁶

⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.60

⁷ Letter from George A. Smith to Robert L. Campbell, August 3 1858, *Historian's Office history of the Church*, Church History Library CR 100 102 box 12 V.28 (1858) p.850, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=1dae1892-af40-4477-b3d3-f0276e6ea4cf&crate=0&index=865>

⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.61; this does not align with events, however. George A. Smith visited Toquerville on the 3rd, but does not mention this event, and is in Parowan on the 10th.

⁹ Silas Harris, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.2 p.131, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi02jens/page/130/mode/2up>

¹⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.66

¹¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.72

¹² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.72

¹³ *Historian's Office history of the Church*, box 12 V.29 (1859) p.618, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=a56f3efa-3e22-4d0f-94bd-06623694e03c&crate=0&index=643>

¹⁴ *Historian's Office Journal*, Church History Library CR 100 1 box 2 v.23 p.292, https://dcms.lds.org/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE119628

¹⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.75

¹⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.75

1860

Autumn: Adventure is settled by Philip Klinginsmith¹⁷ (hiding out from involvement in Mountain Meadows?)

1861

Duncan's Retreat is settled

Mountain Dell is settled

6 April: Statistical Report of Harmony (68 members), Toquerville (68 members), Virgin City (54 members), all under Bishop Wm R. Davies of Harmony ¹⁸

May 24-29: Brigham Young and other leaders make their first visit to this area.¹⁹ Visit with the saints in Pinto, Santa Clara, Tonaquint, Washington, Tokerville, Pocketville [Virgin], Grafton, and Adventure [Rockville]. *No mention of congregation status or leadership.*

August 9: BY writes to Joshua T. Willes [Toquerville Bishop yet?] and W.R. Davies:²⁰ Davies is released as bishop of Harmony, Willes is called to "act as bishop in Bishop Davies' Ward"

October Conference: 309 families are called to settle in Washington County, which only had 79 families at the time

Nov 12: "Joshua T. Willis [MMTN-SH4] who is the bishop of this place" [Toquerville, already a ward?]²¹

Nov 18: Toquerville Ward organized, [Acting] Bishop Joshua T. Willis²²

November 24?: Settlement company reaches **Harrisburg**, 2 or 3 houses, PE Silas Harris under Washington Bishop Robert D. Covington.²³

November 25: Advance company arrives at the site of St. George, remainder of company arriving a few days later under leadership of Erastus Snow²⁴

November 28: Swiss Company arrives at Santa Clara, including some of the great Dixie families: Entz, Frei, Gubler, Hafen, Hirschi, Reber, Staheli, Stucki, Tobler

William Fawcett is acting bishop of St. George for 6 months at its founding²⁵

¹⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.80

¹⁸ Bishops Reports, 1860 March-April, *Bishops Reports 1848-1866*, Church History Library CR 100 592, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/ced6e4c3-2d9b-4b09-8ab6-c7fc771fef6c/0/2>

¹⁹ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1860-1865*, p.134, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/801702bf-e607-4f0d-82d0-e0f84b8c2406/0/141>

²⁰ Brigham Young, letters to Joshua T. Willes and W.R. Davies 9 August 1861, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.5, p.855, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=adc114c8-073a-494e-98cf-c9d00a054123>

²¹ Horace C. Eldredge, Minutes of meetings in Washington County, 1861 November 12-30, *Historian's Office collected historical documents, 1851-1869*, Church History Library, CR 100 397, p.2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=5d5adf20-cfe6-4b57-87ff-86debf8f0c17&crate=0&index=2>

²² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.99

²³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.101

²⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.101

²⁵ William Fawcett, , *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.592, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/591>. *Annals* does not mention any ecclesiastical organization during the many meetings at this time.

Nov: Franklin W. Young moves to new site of Grafton. The rest will move there after the Great Flood.

Dec 4: Southern Mission organized under the presidency of Erastus Snow and Orson Pratt²⁶

Other than the apostles, the organization is for building the settlement, not ecclesiastical

Dec 13: **Grafton Ward** organized by Orson Pratt, bishop Franklin W. Young, Adventure renamed Rockville²⁷

Dec 22: **Harmony** reorganized as a branch, PE John D. Lee²⁸

Dec 25: 40-day rainstorm begins, flooding washes away Santa Clara, Tonaquint, Ft. Harmony, Heberville, Grafton, and many riverbottom homes. *It appears that Tonaquint and Heberville are not resettled, but move to St. George*

1862

Jan 20: Shunesburg settled PE George Petty

March 22-23: First Conference of Southern Mission, Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow, presiding²⁹

mp:700292

- Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow, presidents of the Southern Mission
- Jacob Hamblin, President of the Indian Mission
- Zadoc K. Judd as Bishop of **Santa Clara Ward**, including Pine Valley and Pinto
- Robert D. Covington as Bishop of **Washington Ward**, including **Harrisburg Branch**
- Joshua T. Willis as Bishop of **Toquerville Ward**, including **Virgen City Branch**
- Franklin W. Young as Bishop of **Grafton Ward**, including those located on the Rio Virgen above Grafton
- Robert Gardner as Presiding Bishop of the City of St. George and Bishop of 4th Ward, Ute Perkins as Bishop of 1st Ward, 2nd Ward attached to 1st Ward, Daniel D. McArthur Bishop of 3rd Ward
- Priesthood quorums organized
- Southern Mission is over Indian Mission, and its annual trips to the Hopi

In report to *Deseret News*:³⁰ mp:700278

- St. George organized: **First Ward** south of Third Street [100 S] and east of Centre Street [100 W], bishop Ute Perkins; **Second Ward** south of Third Street and west of Centre Street (attached to First Ward with counselor Wm Fawcett presiding); **Third Ward** north of Third Street and west of Washington Street [200 W], bishop Daniel D. McArthur; **Fourth Ward** north of Third Street and east of Washington Street, bishop Robert Gardner (also presiding bishop of St. George)

²⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.101

²⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.110

²⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.114

²⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.137,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=3faee6c9-545e-42fd-9c67-41745a5e3622&crate=0&index=143>

³⁰ Minutes, *Deseret News* V.11 #41 (April 9 1862) p.328,
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2591658>

Spring: Adventure moved to present Rockville site after the Great Flood, PE Ezra Strong [LKVV-X5N], "New Grafton" built at current site [MH]

April 7: General bishops meeting in SLC includes bishops of Grafton and St. George Wards³¹

April 27: Shoal Creek [Hebron] area first settled by Pulsipher and Terry families

June 12: **Harrisburg Branch** organized by Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow, President James Lewis and counselors, attached to Washington Ward³²

Summer: Gunlock settled by Dudley Leavitt³³

Fall: Springdale is settled, led by Albert Petty

Sep 16: BY writes Orson Pratt & Erastus Snow: "It will be well for you to appoint and set apart a **High Council for your City, as also bishops to preside over the various other settlements.**"³⁴

Sep 26ish: Anson Perry Winsor ordained bishop of **Grafton**, Rockville, Shune's Creek and Northop, and Presiding High Priest over these settlements by Orson Pratt (FW Young moving to St. George)³⁵

Sep 27ish: Joshua Thomas Willis was only acting bishop of **Toquerville**, so he is ordained Bishop of Toquerville, Virgen City, and Duncan's Retreat. Duncan's Retreat organized as a branch, PE to be appointed by bishop Willis.³⁶

October 6: General Bishops Meeting includes the bishops of Grafton and St. George Wards³⁷

Nov 15: Southern Utah Mission Conference.³⁸ mp:700312

- A new high council is called.
- Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow, presidents of the Southern Mission
- Robert Gardner as PB of St. George
- Ute Perkins, B of 1st and 2nd Wards; Daniel W. McArthur, B 3rd Ward; Robert Gardner, B 4th Ward
- Robert D. Covington, B Washington Ward; Joshua T Willis, B Toquerville Ward; Anson P. Windsor, B Grafton Ward; Edward Bunker, B Santa Clara Ward; Henry Lunt, B Cedar Ward (Harmony, Pinto, and Kanarra included in this ward)
- Pine Valley Branch attached to St. George Ward [not Santa Clara]; Toquerville Ward consist of that place, Virgen City, and Duncan's Retreat; Grafton Ward consist of that place and all places above on the Virgen River
- McArthur and Bunker ordained as bishops [was McArthur only acting before?]

Dec 18: Gardner and Perkins ordained as bishops³⁹

³¹ *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.6, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

³² *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.3, Church History Library LR 4796 11; *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.144

³³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.166

³⁴ Brigham Young, letter to Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow Sep 16 1862, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.6, p.393, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 6, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=0c8e23c5-4d6a-446f-8d81-108a52bd39c4>

³⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.1 p.149

³⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.150

³⁷ *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>

³⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.158

³⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.163

Dec 20: Erastus Snow suggests a small settlement be formed on south Ash Creek [Bellevue?]
Winter: **Heberville** [Bloomington] settled, led by Ellis M. Sanders⁴⁰
Henry Stevens PE of Shunesburg
Northop settled

1863

March 21: Conference of the Southern Mission, no sustainings or changes mentioned⁴¹
David Canfield and Edson Barney settle on the upper Santa Clara [Veyo/Central area]⁴²
Ashton [Bellevue/Pintura] settled, pt. Toquerville Ward⁴³
May 30: Conference of the Southern Mission, cornerstone of tabernacle laid⁴⁴
Nov/Dec: James Lewis resigns as president of Harrisburg Branch due to “some dissatisfaction relative to his administration.” Pratt & Snow meet with the branch to try to reconcile things, but Silas Harris was appointed the new president.⁴⁵
Nov 1: Conference of the Southern Mission:⁴⁶

- Report of Bishop Gardner of **St. George Ward**

Nov 29: Henry Eyring ordained bishop of **St. George 2nd Ward** by Erastus Snow.⁴⁷
Dec 18: **Middleton Branch** of the 4th Ward organized, PT Henry BM Jolley⁴⁸
Mountain Dell Branch, PE Joel H. Johnson
Pulsiphers build a ranch at Moroni Springs west of the later site of Hebron

1864

January: Nephi Johnson is PE of Virgin City Branch⁴⁹
Spring: Ezra Strong [LKVY-X5N], PE of Rockville Branch of Grafton Ward leaves to settle Kanab; Zemira Draper replaces him⁵⁰
Mar 5: John D. Lee resigns as PE of Harmony Branch, James H. Imlay appointed PE⁵¹
May 6: Meadow Valley [Panaca] settled, and Clover Valley

⁴⁰ *Price Ward general minutes*, p.1, Church History Library LR 7199 11, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/6884315c-f212-44bb-aab5-802df9b875b7/0/3>

⁴¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.180

⁴² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.182

⁴³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.182

⁴⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.184

⁴⁵ *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.7, Church History Library LR 4796 11; *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.187

⁴⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.189

⁴⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.193; Henry Eyring, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.1 p.313, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi01bjens/page/312/mode/2up>

⁴⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.196

⁴⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.198

⁵⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.200

⁵¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.205

May 7: Conference of the Southern Mission⁵² mp:700285

- Erastus Snow, President of Southern Mission, along with High Council, priesthood quorums
- Bishops: Robert Gardner, PB of **St. George**; Ute Perkins **1st Ward**, Henry Eyring **2nd Ward**, Daniel D. McArthur **3rd Ward**, Robert D. Covington **Washington Ward**, Joshua T. Willis **Toquerville**, Anson P. Windsor **Grafton**, Edward Bunker **Santa Clara**, Henry Lunt, **Cedar**.
- Presiding Elders: Nephi Johnson **Virgin City**, Silas S. Harris **Harrisburg**, Zemirah Draper **Rockville**, Albert Petty **Springdale**, A. Henry. Stevens **Shoonsburg**, Wm Theobald **Duncan's Retreat**, John Hawley **Pine Valley**, Wm H. Imlay **Harmony**, Richard S. Robinson **Pinto**, Zera Pulsipher **Shoal Creek [Hebron]**, Luke Syphus **Meadow Valley**

May 21: Erastus Snow visits Meadow Valley, selects town site (named Panaca), appoints Samuel Lee as PE⁵³

June 11: John Nebeker sustained to preside (in absentia) over northwestern settlements (Meadow Valley, Clover Valley)⁵⁴

July: list of settlements East of St. George, includes the above, plus Northop, PE James A. Lemmon, with only 3 families (no branch?)⁵⁵

Fall: Eagle Valley settled by Meltiar Hatch and others⁵⁶

Nov 4: Conference of the Southern Mission⁵⁷ mp:700296

- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission, with high council "of this stake," priesthood quorums
- Bishops same as in May
- Presiding Elders same as in May, plus Elisha H. Groves, **Kanarra**; Zera Pulsipher **Moroni Springs** [Shoal Creek/Hebron], Samuel F. Lee, **Meadow Valley**; John Nebeker "President of the settlements on the headwaters of the Muddy, &c"

Nebeker doesn't visit the Panaca area for a few months due to Indian troubles there. [MH]

Dec: Orson Pratt leaves on a mission to Europe, leaving Erastus Snow as sole president of the mission

Dalton settled by John Dalton

1865

Winter: **Mountain Dell Branch** organized, PE Joel H. Johnson, set apart by his son Nephi, PE Virgin City⁵⁸ 700302

⁵² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.217; Conference of the Southern Mission, *Deseret News* V.13 #35 (May 25 1864) p.276, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2595486>

⁵³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.223

⁵⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.226

⁵⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.234

⁵⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.240

⁵⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.247; Minutes, *Deseret News*, V.14 #11 (Dec 14 1864) p.83, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2596675>

⁵⁸ Joel Hills Johnson, *Journal 1861-1882*, FamilySearch, <https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/103247649>

Jan 8: settlers arrive in Muddy Valley, led by PE Thomas S. Smith, soon lays out town of **St. Thomas**⁵⁹

February: first settlers in Winsor (**Mt. Carmel**) area [MH]

March: John Nebeker first visits the **Panaca** area over which he presides; apparently he doesn't live there. [MH]

Apr 22: **Beaver Dam** recently settled, 6 men led by Henry W. Miller⁶⁰

May 5: Conference at St. George⁶¹ mp:700274

- Sustains Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission, along with "High Council of the Southern Mission," and priesthood quorums
- Bishops: Robert Gardner, **St. George** and Local Bishop of the **4th Ward**; Ute Perkins, **1st Ward**; Henry Eyring, **2nd Ward**; D.D. MacArthur, **3rd Ward**; R.D. Covington, **Washington Ward**; Joshua T. Willis, **Toquerville Ward**; Anson P. Windsor, **Grafton Ward**; Edward Bunker, **Santa Clara Ward**; Henry Lunt, **Cedar Ward**. Also sustained as presiding high priests (PHP) in their wards
- John Hawley, PE **Pine Valley Branch** of St. George Ward; Silas S. Harris, P. **Harrisburg Branch** of Washington Ward; Presidents of branches of Toquerville Ward: Nephi Johnson of **Virgen City**, W. Theobald of **Duncan's Retreat**; John Dalton of **Dalton**; Joel H. Johnson of **Mountain Dell**. Presidents of branches of Grafton Ward: Zemira Draper of **Rockville and Northup**; Albert Petty of **Springdale and Shoonsburg**, John W. Berry of **Berryville or Long Valley**
- Unnamed presidents of unnamed branches of Cedar Ward; John Nebeker as PHP of **Panacca District**; Luke Syphus P **Clover Valley Branch**; Samuel F. Lee P. **Panacca Branch**; Meltiah Hatch P. **Eagle Valley**; Zera Pulsipher P. **Shoal Creek Branch**
- Thomas S. Smith PHP at **St. Thomas**; Henry W. Miller PHP at **Beaver Dam**

May 28: **St. Joseph** Branch of St. Thomas Ward organized, PE Warren Foote⁶² ⁶³ Foote was elected on the 28th, organization completed June 11 [see Arrington, Mormons in Nevada, p.40]

May 31: **Kanab Branch** organized with PE Levi Savage⁶⁴

July 15: Bishop Covington of Washington presides over a court case in Harrisburg.⁶⁵ *So it is clearly a dependent branch.*

Aug 12: at High Council meeting, decided:⁶⁶ mp:700275

- Organize **Panaca Ward**, AB John Nebeker, including Panaca, Clover Valley, Shoal Creek, Eagle Valley

⁵⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.252; *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.26, Church History Library LR 7798 21, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/25>

⁶⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.257

⁶¹ Minutes, *Deseret News*, V.14 #34 (May 24 1865) p.269, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2597797>

⁶² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.265

⁶³ *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.35, Church History Library LR 7798 21, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/18>

⁶⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.266

⁶⁵ *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.8, Church History Library LR 4796 11

⁶⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.278

- Organize **St. Thomas Ward**, AB Thomas S. Smith, including St. Thomas, St. Joseph, and Callville
 - Attach Beaver Dam to St. George Ward, Henry W. Miller to take care of tithing there
- Nov 3: Conference at St. George doesn't list general sustainings, but lists a few leaders:⁶⁷

- **Harmony Branch** Pres. J. Imlay; Shonesburg Branch Pres. John Allred; **Meadow Valley Branch** Pres. Jas. Matthews

Winter: Erastus Snow calls Henry B.M. Jolley as PE of **Winsor** [Mt. Carmel], replacing Silas Hoyt who was called a few months earlier. Winsor settlers spend the winter at Berryville for protection from Navajos. [MH]

Dec: raid on Kanab starts hostilities as part of Black Hawk War in this area

Dec 5: Orrawell Simons appointed to preside over the settlement near Simons' Mill on the Muddy [aka **Simonsville or Mill Point**, between airport and Overton], attached to St. Joseph Branch⁶⁸

Spring Valley settled, outgrowth of Eagle Valley⁶⁹

1866

Jan 10: Kane County created, western boundary roughly at Hurricane Cliffs, county seat at Grafton⁷⁰

Mar: Spring Valley surveyed as an outgrowth of Eagle Valley Branch (PE Meltiar Hatch)⁷¹

Spring: Lorenzo W. Roundy moves from Kanab to Mt. Carmel and become PE there.[MH]

June: Middleton PE HBM Jolley moves to Winsor [Mt. Carmel] *but see winter 1865*

May 4: Conference of Southern Mission, presided by Erastus Snow^{72 mp:700297}

- Sustains Erastus Snow as "President of the Southern Mission," and high council "in this Stake of Zion." and full priesthood quorum presidencies
- **Cedar Ward** and **Long Valley** is represented
- "Resolved that Pine Valley, Pinto, Shoal Creek, and Mountain Meadows be organized as a ward under the name of **Pine Valley Ward**" with Bishop Robert Gardner⁷³ [This may not have been fully realized until June 1867]
- The settlements in Long Valley to be organized as **Long Valley Ward**.
- **Panaca Ward** organized with branches in **Clover Valley**, **Eagle Valley**, and **Spring Valley**, with John Nebeker as acting president and acting bishop
- Thomas S. Smith as Presiding High Priest and acting Bishop over settlements on the **Lower Muddy**

⁶⁷ Minutes, *Deseret News*, V.15 #7 (Nov 23 1865) p.54, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2730947>

⁶⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.291

⁶⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.387

⁷⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.296

⁷¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.314

⁷² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, V.2 p.316; Minutes, *Deseret News*, V.15 (May 24 1866) p.197, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2730196>

⁷³ Robert Gardner, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.2 p.625, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi02jenso/page/624/mode/2up>

- “Presiding High Priests and Bishops in their wards:” Robert Gardner, **St. George**; Edward Bunker, **Santa Clara**; Robert D. Covington, **Washington**; Joshua T. Willis, **Toquerville**; Anson T. Windsor, **Grafton**; Henry Lunt, **Cedar**

April-May: Reports to PB Edward Hunter from Bishop J.T. Willis of the ward at Toquerville, Bishop A.P. Winsor of Grafton Ward, Bishop R.D. Covington of Washington Ward, Bishop Robert Gardner of “St. George Ward,” and bishop Edward Bunker of Santa Clara Ward.⁷⁴

June: Long Valley is abandoned, most moving to other settlements in the area; Beaver Dam is also abandoned

June 10: Grafton is abandoned, and everyone moves into Rockville [MH]

Fall: William C. Moody [KWNN-FPM] set apart as PE of **Spring Valley** [Panaca MH]

Nov: Bishop of Washington “changed the organization of Harrisburg and instead of a president with his council, the bishop appointed three teachers to teach the people and do the best they could in managing the business of the place.”⁷⁵ James Lewis is one of the teachers, but President Silas Harris is not mentioned. *So he is released and it is demoted from a branch to a teachers district.*

Nov 1: Conference of Southern Mission:⁷⁶ mp:700276

- Robert Gardner as Bishop and Presiding High Priest of St. George Ward
- Other wards same as May, except Anson P. Windsor is bishop of **Rockville Ward**.
- Local SG wards and branches mentioned but not listed
- Wm Fawcett as president of the High Priests Quorum “of this Stake of Zion”
- Thomas S. Smith as AB and PHP over the settlements on the Muddy; John Nebeker as AB and PHP of the Panaca Ward
- Permission given to resettle Duncan’s Retreat and Beaver Dam

Dec 31: Report of recent events in Southern Mission⁷⁷

- Vacated settlements: Gunlock, Grafton, Duncan’s Retreat, Dalton, Mountain Dell, Shunesburg, Northop, Springdale (all gathered to Rockville), Clover Valley, settlements in Long Valley
- **Grafton Ward** had been changed to Rockville Ward, Anson P. Windsor as Bishop⁷⁸
- Alexander F. Barron as new acting bishop of **Panaca Ward**⁷⁹

Winter: James Leithead replaces Thomas S. Smith as president of **St. Thomas**, the latter being released on account of sickness⁸⁰ Leithead is called the “president and bishop” of the “branch”

Ft. Hamblin built near Pinto

~~Some suggest that Grafton retained a branch of Rockville Ward, PE Alonzo H. Russell~~

⁷⁴ *Perpetual Emigrating Fund Company outfitting reports, 1866*, Church History Library CR 376 13 box 1 folder 9, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/87ee198d-ee46-45ec-99f4-5bc8628b7520/0/2>

⁷⁵ *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.11, Church History Library LR 4796 11

⁷⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.357, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=74d5b0a4-a81d-4393-8c18-d5c2a5b6d880&crate=0&index=3>

⁷⁷ *Journal History*, Dec 31 1866 p.1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=341c256b-0f08-44f6-bd5a-a503c26464f1&crate=0&index=470>

⁷⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.362

⁷⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.362

⁸⁰ *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.26, Church History Library LR 7798 21, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/25>

1867

The town of Bennington (Leeds) laid out and surveyed.⁸¹

Jan 21: mention of **Mill Point** [Simonsville] on the Muddy, PE Alma H. Bennett

Feb 4: Richard S. Robinson appointed PE **Pinto Branch**, John Hawley sustained as PE **Pine Valley**⁸²

Feb 13: BY writes "President Erastus Snow," in keeping with other resident Apostle-Presidents.⁸³

May 5: Conference. *Only gives summary with no useful details.*⁸⁴

June 15: BY writes to the Rockville Ward about their dissatisfaction with Bishop Winsor, urging them to work with him.⁸⁵

July 6: BY writes to "Bishop James Leithead, St. Thomas" about a member at "your place"⁸⁶ So *he is at least an acting bishop, may not be a ward yet.*

July 6: William Snow ordained bishop of newly organized **Pine Valley Ward** by his brother Erastus Snow⁸⁷

July 11: **Pinto Ward** organized, bishop Richard S. Robinson⁸⁸

July 15: Eagle Valley Ward organized, Bishop Meltiar Hatch, dependent branch at Spring Valley, PE William B. Maxwell [KWDM-R5L]

Fall: ~~William C. Moody set apart as PE of Spring Valley~~⁸⁹ mp:700286

Fall: Several settlements being resettled: **Ashton**, PE James Sylvester; **Duncan's Retreat**, PE Wm A Martindale; **Springdale**, PE Albert Petty; **Mountain Dell**, **Northop**, **Gunlock** as part of nearby wards⁹⁰ mp:700286

Oct: at General Conference, 158 families were called to settle in Southern Utah and the Muddy Mission.

Nov 1-3: Southern Mission Conference:⁹¹

- Reports of wards and branches: Bp Bunker of **Santa Clara**, Bp J. T. Willis of **Duncan's Retreat**, **Virgen City and Toquerville**, Bp A.P. Winsor of **Grafton**, Bp Wilson D. Pace of **Harmony**, Bp R.D. Covington of **Washington**, E James Lewis of **Harrisburg**, Bp Wm

⁸¹ *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.12, Church History Library LR 4796 11

⁸² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.371

⁸³ Brigham Young, letter to Erastus Snow 13 Feb 1867, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.9, p.358, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=954ebbd5-0620-40f5-86f3-97fa7dbab8f6>

⁸⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.376

⁸⁵ Brigham Young, letter to Rockville Ward 15 June 1867, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.10, p.236, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

⁸⁶ Brigham Young, letter to James Leithead, 6 July 1867, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.10, p.283, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

⁸⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.377; William Snow, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.3 p.520, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi03jens/page/520/mode/2up>

⁸⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.377

⁸⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.389

⁹⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.389

⁹¹ Southern Mission, *Deseret News*, V.16 #41 (Nov 20 1867) p.325, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2600308>

Snow of **Pine Valley**; E. Taylor Crosby of **Eagleville**, E. Thomas S. Terry of **Shoal Creek [Hebron]**, Bp Robert Gardner of **St. George**

Bennington [Leeds] settled

Dec 1: Benjamin Stringham appointed and set apart as AB of **Bennington [Leeds]** and Harrisburg⁹² *not called a ward per se.*

Dec 16: **St. Joseph Ward** organized, Bishop Alma Harrison Bennett ordained [he was PE of Mill Point; were they merged?]. James Leithead set apart as bishop of **St. Thomas Ward** (Thomas S. Smith released by Brigham Young)⁹³

Dec 24: Millersburg [Beaver Dam] destroyed by flood⁹⁴
Heberville abandoned⁹⁵

1868

Grafton resettled as a dependent branch of Rockville Ward, PE Alonzo H. Russell

Jan: Upper Muddy [West Point] settled further up the Muddy, near Paiute settlements, but abandoned within weeks by direction of Brigham Young

Feb 10: Home Missionaries being sent to outlying branches (not the first time)

March 9: BY writes "Bp. A.S. Gibbons, St. Thomas, Pah Ute Co. Arizona"⁹⁶

March 15: Erastus Snow returns from legislature with Joseph Watson Young⁹⁷

Spring: **West Point** Branch organized, P.E. Andrew S. Gibbons⁹⁸

April 18: BY writes "Bp. A. P. Winsor, Rockville"⁹⁹ *So it is still a ward and he is still a bishop*

April 25: In first of a series of published Church directories, the following are listed:¹⁰⁰ mp:700394

- County Presidents: Erastus Snow for Washington, Kane, and Iron
- Kane County:
 - Grafton, A.P. Winsor
 - Springdale, Albert Petty
 - Virgen City, Nephi Johnson
- Washington County
 - Toquerville, J.T. Willis
 - Harrisburg, Silas S. Harris
 - Washington, Robert D. Covington

⁹² *Leeds Ward general minutes*, V.5 p.12, Church History Library LR 4796 11

⁹³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.387

⁹⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.388

⁹⁵ *Price Ward general minutes*, p.1, Church History Library LR 7199 11,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/6884315c-f212-44bb-aab5-802df9b875b7/0/3>

⁹⁶ Brigham Young, letter to A.S. Gibbons, 9 March 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.10*, p.681, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f/0/1430>

⁹⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.390

⁹⁸ *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.19, Church History Library LR 7798 21,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/18>

⁹⁹ Brigham Young, letter to AP Winsor, 18 April 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.10*, p.801, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 7,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=873e43de-f5b9-4a8a-bfaa-be07a5fdf18f>

¹⁰⁰ Church Directory, *Salt Lake Daily Telegraph*, V.4 #253 (25 April 1868) p.4

- St. George, Robert Gardner
- Santa Clara, Edward Bunker
- St. Thomas, J. Leathead, Acting
- St. Joseph, A. Bennet, Acting
- Beaver Dams, Henry W. Miller
- Callville, Anson Call
- Pine Valley, William Snow
- Harmony, Wilson D. Pace

April 30: Anson Winsor, bishop of Rockville Ward [not Grafton] agrees to resign over disagreement with members¹⁰¹

During this year, relief societies are organized in many wards and branches

May 1-3: Southern Mission Conference.¹⁰² mp:700287

- Notes the presence of Isaac C. Haight and Bishop Henry Lunt of Cedar
- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission, with high council, priesthood quorums
- Joseph W. Young as “fellow laborer to President Erastus Snow in the Southern Mission”
- Robert Gardner, B and PHP **St. George Ward**; Ute Perkins, B **1st Ward**; Henry Eyring, B **2nd Ward**; Dan’l D. McArthur B **3rd Ward**; Robert Gardner, B **4th Ward**
- Bishop and Presiding High Priest of each Ward: Robert D. Covington **Washington**; Joshua T. Willis **Toquerville**, Edward Bunker **Santa Clara**, Lorenzo W. Roundy **Kanarra**, Wilson D. Pace **Harmony**, William Snow **Pine Valley**, Richard Robinson **Pinto**, Alexander F. Barron **Panaca**, Meltiar Hatch **Eagleville**, James Leithead **St. Thomas**, Alma H. Bennett **St. Joseph**, Henry Lunt **Cedar**
- Presiding elders of branches mentioned but not listed

May: **Virgin City Ward** organized, Bishop John Parker, including North Creek, Dalton, and Duncan’s Retreat [dep branches?]¹⁰³

May 10: Charles N. Smith appointed as (temporary) Presiding High Priest over **Rockville** by Erastus Snow.¹⁰⁴

August 4: Last of a series of published Church directories, same as April 25 except:¹⁰⁵ mp:700395

- Rockville, Grafton, and Springdale: A P Winsor
- Virgen City, Duncan’s Retreat, and Mountain Dell: John Parker
- Kanarra (LW Roundy) and Pinto (Richard Robinson) moved from Iron County
- **Bennington & Harrisburg**: Benjamin Stringham
- Beaver Dams and Callville not listed
- Panaca (A T Barron) moved from Beaver County

Aug 20ish: St. Joseph fort burns down¹⁰⁶ *Settlers move to Mill Point, renamed “New St. Joseph”*

August 24: St. George Relief Society organized (just one, not in wards)¹⁰⁷

¹⁰¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.399

¹⁰² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.400; Southern Conference, *Deseret News*, May 20 1868, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2601128>

¹⁰³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.410

¹⁰⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.414; Charles N. Smith, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.680, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/679>

¹⁰⁵ Church Directory, *Salt Lake Daily Telegraph*, V.5 #25 (4 Aug 1868) p.4

¹⁰⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.425

¹⁰⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.427

Nov 2: School of the Prophets organized for St. George, Washington, and Santa Clara¹⁰⁸

Nov 20-22: Conference at St. George:¹⁰⁹ 700309

- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission
- Joseph W. Young, assistant to President Snow, and President of the settlements on the Muddy and of the Lower Rio Virgen; with high council, priesthood quorums
- Bishops and Presiding High Priests: Robert Gardner, St. George; [St. George wards only say “bishop,” not “presiding high priest”] Ute Perkins, **1st Ward**; Henry Eyring, **2nd Ward**; Daniel D. McArthur, **3rd Ward**; Robert D. Covington, **Washington**; Joshua T. Willis, **Toquerville**; Edward Bunker, **Santa Clara**; Lorenzo W. Roundy, **Kanarra**; Wilson D. Pace, **Harmony**; Wm Snow, **Pine Valley**; Richard Robinson, **Pinto**; Alex F. Barron, **Panacca**; Meltiar Hatch, **Eagleville**; Lames Leithead, **St. Thomas**; Alma H. Bennett, **St. Joseph**; Henry Lung, **Cedar**
- Charles N. Smith, PE **Rockville**, Anson P. Windsor, bishop in charge of tithing matters; John Parker, Acting Bishop **Virgen City**; Benjamin Stringam, Acting Bishop **Harrisburg**, other presiding elders unnamed “as they are sustained by their respective bishops”

[Joseph W. Young obituary agrees that he had responsibility over the Muddy Settlements, not St. George]¹¹⁰

[Nov.22: first mention of “Hurricane Hill,” long before the town was settled]

December: Census of **St. Thomas Ward** lists James Leithead, Bishop; Thomas V Smith, “President returned June 1868;” Warren Foote, “Prest St. Joseph”¹¹¹

December: **West Point** Branch reorganized, P.E. George Leavitt¹¹²

Grafton resettled, PE Alonzo H. Russell¹¹³

Fort built at Shoal Creek called Hebron, PE Dudley Leavitt

Iron City founded with new mining operation

1869

Jan: planning to settle at the mouth of the Virgin [Rioville]

19 Jan: Washington/Kane county boundary moved from Hurricane Cliffs to Grapevine Spring [E of Leeds], county seat moved to Toquerville

18 Feb: Rio Virgen County (fake) created, whereupon the Muddy settlements attempt to pretend they are in Utah.

Spring: Mountain Dell being resettled, PE Owen Isom¹¹⁴ (also mentions the “Kolob Ranch” above it, the earliest mention of that place name?)

¹⁰⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.430

¹⁰⁹ Minutes of a Conference, *Deseret News*, V.17 #45 (Dec 16 1868) p.354,
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2602299>

¹¹⁰ Correspondence St. George June 10, 1873, *Deseret News* V.22 #21 (June 25 1873) p.330,
<https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2619216>

¹¹¹ St. Thomas Ward record of members, *Glendale Ward General Minutes*, V.5, Church History Library LR 3207 11

¹¹² *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.19, Church History Library LR 7798 21,
<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/18>

¹¹³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.440

¹¹⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.448

May 1: Conference, Brigham Young and others visiting, no details of sustaining reported¹¹⁵

May 9: Name of Bennington changed to Leeds, new counselors for Bishop Stringham called¹¹⁶

~~May 9: Solomon Angell appointed Presiding Elder of Leeds (then renamed from Bennington) by Erastus Snow¹¹⁷ See December~~

May: **Clover Valley** resettled, led by Lyman L. Woods¹¹⁸

June 7: Erastus Snow helps locate a new site for St. Joseph to replace their burned fort, then visits **West Point**, 15 miles upstream from St. Joseph, then Beaver Dam¹¹⁹

June 10: BY writes "Bishop C.N. Smith, Rockville"¹²⁰

June 23: mentions **Ft. Hamblin** and **Hebron**, but not whether they have branches, nor leadership¹²¹

July 2: Mountain Meadows, Pinto Iron Works, and Little Pinto attached to **Pinto Ward**¹²²

July 19: James Lewis appointed to take charge of **Leeds Ward**, including Harrisburg (Bishop Stringham is absent most of the time)¹²³

July 22: Erastus Snow writes to Brigham Young, suggesting the calling of a traveling bishop to handle temporal affairs in the mission.¹²⁴

July 23: Erastus Snow letter to Brigham Young, reports on tour through the northwestern settlements:¹²⁵ "20 families at Hebron on Shoal Creek, 6 on Clover Valley, 48 at Panaca in Meadow Valley under Bishop Alexander F. Barron, 45 at Eagleville in Eagle Valley, and the settlement in Spring Valley."

August: **Little Pinto** Branch (at or near Iron City) organized, PT Seth M. Blair, dep. Pinto Ward¹²⁶

October 7: In general conference, several bishops and many others are "called to go on short missions to the Eastern States" (probably to do business for the cooperative mercantile program), including Bishop Robert D. Covington of Washington and Bishop Alexander F. Barron of Panacca.¹²⁷

Nov 5: Southern Mission Conference.¹²⁸ mp:700271

¹¹⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.458

¹¹⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.464

¹¹⁷ Solomon Angell, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.591, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/590>

¹¹⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.465

¹¹⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.467

¹²⁰ Brigham Young, letter to C.N. Smith, 10 June 1868, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.11, p.567, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 8, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=967db140-f060-437f-b583-794f7affa2d0>

¹²¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.475

¹²² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.478

¹²³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.480

¹²⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.482

¹²⁵ Southern Utah, *Deseret News*, V.18 #28 (18 August 1869) p.336, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2603729>

¹²⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.485

¹²⁷ Thirty-Ninth Semi-Annual Conference, *Deseret News*, V.18 #36 (13 Oct 1869) p.426, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2604075>

¹²⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.500; Minutes of Conference, *Deseret News*, V.18 #45 (Dec 15 1869) p.585, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2604612>

- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission
- Joseph W. Young, “had been sustained for several of the conferences, as a general assistant to him in this mission, but now ‘I propose that he be set apart as President of this St. George Stake of Zion’,” with counselors (Robert Gardner and James Bleak), high council, priesthood quorums; new patriarch sustained
- Daniel D. McArthur, presiding Bishop of St. George with counselors
- David Milne, Bp **First Ward**; Henry Eyring, Bp **Second Ward**; Walter Granger, bp **Third Ward** (some objection, so deferred), Nathaniel Ashby, bp **Fourth Ward**
- Bishops and presiding high priests: Edward Bunker, **Santa Clara**; Joshua T. Willis, **Tokerville**; John Parker, **Virgen City**; Charles N. Smith, **Rockville**; L.W. Roundy, **Kanarra**; W.D. Pace, **Harmony**; R.S. Robinson, **Pinto**; Wm. Snow, **Pine Valley**; Meltiah Hatch, **Eagleville and Spring Valley**; Jas. Leithead, **Muddy and Junction City**; Henry Lunt, **Cedar**
- **Hebron and Clover Valley** combined into a Ward, bp Geo. H. Crosby;¹²⁹ Fort Hamblin and Little Pinto [Iron City?] united with **Pinto Ward**; Bishop Stringham [Harrisburg] resigned, **Harrisburg and Leeds** attached to **Toquerville**
- John Woodruff Freeman appointed to preside in **Washington** (ordained Nov 28 by Erastus Snow)¹³⁰

Nov 8: new leaders ordained and set apart

Nov 9: meeting to consider 3rd Ward issue. Walter Granger reaffirmed as bishop, set apart and ordained.¹³¹

Nov 14: JW Young [in his new calling] reorganizes **Panaca Ward** (AF Barron called on a mission), sets apart James Henrie as presiding high priest and acting Bishop.^{132 133} Teachers quorum reorganized on the 18th.

Dec: Orson B. Adams appointed PE **Harrisburg Branch**, Solomon Angell PE **Leeds Branch**; Helaman Pratt PE **Overton Branch**^{134 135}

Heberville farmed again, settlement?¹³⁶

¹²⁹ George Henry Crosby, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.2 p.44, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi02jenso/page/44/mode/2up>

¹³⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.508; John Woodruff Freeman, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.592, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/591>

¹³¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.504

¹³² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.507; James Henrie, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.1 p.800, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi01bjens/page/800/mode/2up>

¹³³ Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.2, Church History Library LR 6708 11

¹³⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, p.514

¹³⁵ *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.19, Church History Library LR 7798 21, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/18>

¹³⁶ *Price Ward general minutes*, p.1, Church History Library LR 7199 11, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/6884315c-f212-44bb-aab5-802df9b875b7/0/3>

1870

Major dispute between residents on the Upper and Lower Muddy and Nevada officials over taxes etc. after surveyors establish the new state boundary.

Jan 1: Hiram Judd set apart as bishop of **Kanab** and **Pahreah** by Snow, Young, and Bleak. He had been called Dec 26 by Jacob Hamblin as part of the Indian mission.¹³⁷

March 27: At the ordination of William G. Perkins as stake patriarch, guests include "Joseph W. Young and James G. Bleak of the Presidency of the Southern Mission Stake of Zion"¹³⁸

April 24: mentions **Shunesburg**, a branch of the Rockville Ward¹³⁹

June 4: Conference.^{140 700308}

- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission
- Joseph W. Young, President of St. George stake of Zion (+counselors, high council, patriarch, MP quorums)
- Daniel D. McArthur, presiding Bishop of St. George Ward with counselors
- David Milne, Bishop of the **first**, Henry Eyring, bishop of the **second**, Walter Granger, bishop of the **third**, and Nathaniel Ashby, bishop of the **fourth** Wards, St. George
- **Washington Ward**: Bp. John Woodruff Freeman; **Santa Clara Ward**: Bp. Edward Bunker; **Toquerville Ward**: Bp. Joshua T. Willis; **Virgen City Ward**: Bp. John Parker; **Rockville Ward**: Bp. Charles N. Smith; **Kanarra Ward**: Bp. Lorenzo W. Roundy; **Harmony Ward**: Bp. William D. Price; **Pinto Ward**: Richard S. Robinson; **Pine Valley Ward**: Bp. William Snow; **Panaca Ward**: Bp. James Henrie; **Eagleville Ward**: Bp. Meltiah Hatch; **Hebron Ward**: Bp. George H. Crosby
- James Leithead, bishop of **St. Thomas Ward**, and presiding elder over the settlements on the Muddy, and Junction City at the mouth of the Rio Virgen. **West Point Ward**: Bp. George Leavitt; **St. Joseph Ward**: Bp. Daniel Stark; **Overton Ward**: Bp. Helaman Pratt; **Cedar Ward**: Bp. Henry Lunt
- Jacob Hamblin, president of the Indian missions, east and southeast of the Rio Virgen.
- St. George, Kane County, the Muddy, and the Western Valleys have separate Quorums of Elders

Sep 17: Snow and Young, writing to the bishops, acknowledge the floods at West Point; Brigham Young has authorized them to abandon the settlement¹⁴¹ Apparently, West Point is abandoned soon after.

November 4: Conference.¹⁴² Sustainings are the same as the June Conference, plus Levi Stewart, bishop of **Kanab**.

Dec 14: Brigham Young informs the Muddy saints that surveys have proven that they are in Nevada, and encourages them to decide together whether to stay or leave. In a letter from

¹³⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=b2539abc-b55a-4f83-8bec-283f4c57839a&crate=0&index=04thFour>

¹³⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.14

¹³⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.23

¹⁴⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.24; Minutes of Conference, *Deseret News* (June 29 1870)

¹⁴¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.37

¹⁴² Southern Conference, *Deseret News* (November 23 1870)

Erastus Snow to the northwestern wards, they are encouraged to stay but work to secure their rights. The Muddy saints vote to leave.¹⁴³ Report of voting mentions Bp Leithead [St. Thomas], Bishop Stark [St. Joseph], and Overton Ward
Eagle Valley Ward merged into Panaca Ward

1871

Jan: former Long Valley residents agree to give up their rights to the land for Muddy pioneers
Feb: Muddy River settlements abandoned, with most residents moving to Long Valley [Orderville]

Jan 29: In Panaca, ¹⁴⁴ "Bp. James Henrie: I learn from Bp. M. Hatch of Eagleville, who has been to St. George to see Pres. B. Young. He told me the President said the State of Nevada is no place for the saints at the present. I have ideas that Pres. B. Young expects trouble more or less. If the people of these western settlements are willing to go together in a body on the Sevier or Upper Kanab and make a strong settlement. as for keeping this in secrecy is of no use for it is known at the present time among outsiders. ... When Brigham says go, I will go and if he says stay, I will stay."

April 17: Pinto Bishop Richard Robinson reports a visit to "the Iron works in our Ward," does not mention the branch, but mentions past and future presiding elders Seth M. Blair and "Bro. Adams, Bishop of Adamsville"¹⁴⁵

May 5-7: Southern Mission Conference.¹⁴⁶ mp:700279

- George W. Sevy (counselor in Harmony bishopric) called to Panguitch to preside
- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission
- Joseph W. Young, "Presidency of the Southern Utah Stake of Zion" with counselors, high council, patriarch
- Bishops of wards: Daniel D. McArthur, PB SG; David Milne 1st, Henry Eyring 2nd, Walter Granger 3rd, Nathaniel Ashby 4th, John W. Freeman Washington, Edward Bunker Santa Clara, Joshua T. Willis Toquerville, John Parker Virgen City, Charles N. Smith Rockville, Lorenzo W. Roundy Kanarra, Wilson D. Pace Harmony, William Snow Pine Valley, Richard S. Robinson Pinto, James Henrie Panaca, George H. Crosby Hebron, **Levi Stewart Kanab, James Leithead Glendale (and presiding bishop of Long Valley), Daniel Stark Mt. Carmel**, Henry Lunt Cedar.
- Orson B. Adams PE Harrisburg, Solomon Angell PE Leeds, James C. Snow, PE Bellevue

¹⁴³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1870 p.67; *St. Thomas Ward record book*, p.9, 27, Church History Library LR 7798 21, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/904d6044-5479-4693-be07-506636dd11dd/0/8>

¹⁴⁴ Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.55, Church History Library LR 6708 11

¹⁴⁵ Correspondence, *Deseret News* V.20 #14 (May 10 1871), p.165, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2608452>

¹⁴⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1871 p.19; Conference at St. George, *Deseret News* V.20 #16 (May 24 1871) p.185, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2608537>

- All settlements in Long Valley to be considered one ward for tithing purposes, called **Long Valley Ward**, under James Leithead. Bishop Stark considered a local bishop under Brother Leithead.

[Joseph W. Young obituary says he was made president of the St. George Stake at this conference, but he was sustained in 1869]¹⁴⁷

May 28: Meeting to replace James Henrie as acting bishop of **Panaca Branch** (Henrie has left for Panguitch due to the Nevada dispute); Thomas Jefferson Jones chosen as acting bishop.¹⁴⁸

July 23: Panaca AB Jones says "that he had received instructions from Pres. Erastus Snow to keep up a branch of the Church in this place, and build it up."¹⁴⁹

September: many people leave the northwestern settlements, now known to be in Nevada, including Eagleville Bishop Meltiar Hatch, who moved to Panguitch and founded Hatch. *Is this when Eagleville Ward is turned into a dependent branch?*

Nov 5: Southern Mission Conference, includes changes:¹⁵⁰ mp:700288

- JW Young, president of "So. Utah Stake of Zion" (later, "St. George Stake of Zion")
- Thomas J. Jones, acting bishop of Panaca Ward
- John Bennion, acting bishop of Eagle Valley Ward
- Groundbreaking for St. George Temple

Dec 23: Sunday schools organized in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd wards, a step towards greater independence of SG wards¹⁵¹

1872

March 11: Branch (dependent?) organized by Pinto Bishop Robinson at Iron City, pres. David B. Adams¹⁵²

May 1: 2nd Ward school house dedicated¹⁵³

May 4: Southern Mission Conference. No changes in sustained officers. Erastus Snow gives a talk about stake jurisdiction. "There were no specific boundaries defined between this stake and the adjoining stake north; for instance, a case of appeal from the Bishop's Court of Cedar City, might be carried to the High Council of St. George, or the High Council at Parowan, as might be most advisable, under the circumstances." !!!!!¹⁵⁴

¹⁴⁷ Correspondence St. George June 10, 1873

¹⁴⁸ Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.65, Church History Library LR 6708 11

¹⁴⁹ Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.67, Church History Library LR 6708 11

¹⁵⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1871 p.51

¹⁵¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1871 p.70

¹⁵² David B. Adams, *Diary*, Church History Library MS 1763, p.34, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=e733b030-0b24-424c-9e6f-4b45a7104ed9&crate=0&index=37>

¹⁵³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1872 p.10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=2f59275e-0165-4a58-ba7c-4dcace4321ab&crate=0&index=9>

¹⁵⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1872 p.10

30 June: beginning of Hebron Ward teachers meeting records.¹⁵⁵ “Bp. Crosby reported that in his late visit to Clover, the west part of our ward...Bro. Lyman Woods, now presiding teacher at that place.” *This suggests that Clover Valley was just a teachers district, not even a dependent branch.*

Nov 1: Conference. Differences:¹⁵⁶

- Joseph W. Young, President of Southern Mission, and the Stake [Snow is present, why not him?]
- James Leithead, bishop of Long Valley, including the settlements of Glendale, Mt. Carmel, and Upper Kanab [no separate wards]

1873

Jan 18: Public meeting called by Brigham Young. Erastus Snow released as President of the Southern Mission to serve a mission in Europe.¹⁵⁷

Jan 25: Priesthood meeting; Snow says that he hoped the stake presidency was ready to “take the general oversight of the Southern Mission.”¹⁵⁸

Feb 14: William Martindale, PE of Duncan’s Retreat, dies. *Replaced by Joseph Wright?*

Feb 17: Erastus Snow leaves St. George with Brigham Young’s party¹⁵⁹

March 9: David B. Adams resigns as president of Iron City Branch (moving back to Beaver County)¹⁶⁰; not sure what became of branch after this; James H. Hart?

March 19: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops lists:¹⁶¹ mp:700282

- **Bellevue**, J.H. Johnson
- **Toker**, J.T. Willis
- **Virgen**, John Parker
- **Rockville**, C.N. Smith
- **Harrisburg**, O.B. Adams
- **Washington**, J.W. Freeman
- **St. George**, D.D. McArthur
- **Santa Clara**, Edward Bunker
- **Pine Valley**, Wm. Snow
- **Pinto**, Richard Robinson
- **Hebron**, G.H. Crosby
- **Clover**, Wm. Pulsipher
- **Panacca**, T.J. Jones

¹⁵⁵ Hebron Ward general minutes (photocopy) *Doris Truman Enterprise Utah History Files*, p.611, Church History Library MS 17893

¹⁵⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1872 p.24

¹⁵⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.11

¹⁵⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.23; Correspondence St. George June 10, 1873

¹⁵⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1872 p.45

¹⁶⁰ David B. Adams, *Diary*, p.43, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=e733b030-0b24-424c-9e6f-4b45a7104ed9&crate=0&index=47>

¹⁶¹ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.22 #7 (March 19 1873) p.103, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2622070>

April 5: Hebron teachers report visiting Clover Branch (as previously suggested by the bishop), concerned about them, most of them are doing work for the mining communities such as cutting timber.¹⁶²

May 2: Conference, Robert Gardner presiding (JW Young is in feeble health)¹⁶³

June 7: President Joseph W. Young dies,¹⁶⁴ Robert Gardner (counselor) takes charge of stake¹⁶⁵

June 12: Joseph Wright, PE of Duncan's Retreat, dies, and is succeeded by Samuel Stanworth

July 1: James Bleak returns from his mission¹⁶⁶

John W. Young, new counselor in First Presidency, called to preside over the Southern Mission

October 23: BY writes John W. Young (in New York), asking him to return to take charge of St. George.¹⁶⁷

Nov 5: Erastus Snow returns from his mission¹⁶⁸

Nov 12: Conference at St. George, Erastus Snow presiding.¹⁶⁹

- Robert Gardner and Alex'r F. Macdonald of the Presidency of St. George Stake [no mission or stake president]
- Bishops: same as before, except **Toquerville** Wm A. Bringhurst, no Eagle Valley
- Branch PEs still not listed
- Large number of home missionaries sustained

November 13: BY writes John W. Young (in New York), asking if he intends to return to Utah and fulfill his calling to preside in St. George.¹⁷⁰

December: "Clover Valley is being deserted; such as have not much land & have depended on hauling lumber or other service of gentiles are out of employment & are moving back into our territory."¹⁷¹

December 8: Panaca Ward teacher's quorum discusses how best to care for members at Bullionville [Pioche?], possibly creating a teachers district there.¹⁷² The teacher who brings it up

¹⁶² Hebron Ward general minutes (photocopy) *Doris Truman Enterprise Utah History Files*, p.625, Church History Library MS 17893

¹⁶³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.47

¹⁶⁴ Correspondence St. George June 10, 1873; *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.49

¹⁶⁵ Robert Gardner, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.2 p.625, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi02jenso/page/624/mode/2up>

¹⁶⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.52

¹⁶⁷ Brigham Young, letter to John W. Young, 13 November 1873, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, p.488, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=d67ba765-d117-4513-aec2-2cdfe8cbfdc9&crate=0&index=1068>

¹⁶⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.53

¹⁶⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1873 p.54; Conference-Coal-Lumber, *Deseret News* (Nov 26 1873), <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2620999>

¹⁷⁰ Brigham Young, letter to John W. Young, 13 November 1873, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.13, p.518, Church History Library CR 1234 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=d67ba765-d117-4513-aec2-2cdfe8cbfdc9&crate=0&index=1128>

¹⁷¹ Hebron Ward general minutes (photocopy) *Doris Truman Enterprise Utah History Files*, p.22 (image 631), Church History Library MS 17893

¹⁷² Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.99, Church History Library LR 6708 11

says “I do not know whether those at Bullionville are in our ward or not, but if they are we will try to see them.” Subsequent conversation suggests they may as well be part of the ward.
Subsequently, a couple teachers visit Bullionville, but it is not made a district.

Richard Gibbons, PE of Hamblin

1874

Jan: Charles F. Foster settles below Pine Valley [near Baker Res. and Central], which will become Foster's Place

Jan 31: Hebron records mention “**Clover Valley Branch**, the people have a desire to do right, some more of then think of moving away.”¹⁷³

Feb 8: Mt. Trumbull Branch of St. George Stake organized, PE Ebenezer Bryce¹⁷⁴

Feb 9: United order organized in St. George,¹⁷⁵ followed by other wards in coming weeks

Feb 15: William A. Bringhurst ordained bishop of **Toquerville** by Brigham Young^{176 177}

Feb 17: Farming restarted in the former Heberville [Bloomington] as part of the United Order, now called Price City¹⁷⁸, apparently there were at least a few settlers.

Mar 5: Charles Nephi Smith ordained bishop of **Rockville** Ward by Brigham Young [has he been acting all this time?]^{179 180}

March 17: Wyllys Darwin Fuller ordained Bishop of **Leeds** by George A. Smith^{181 182} (combined with Harrisburg and separated from Toquerville)

March 18: United Order organized at **Morristown** (Washington Fields, 3 miles from Washington)¹⁸³ *Is this a branch?*

March 18: **Shoonsburg** Branch of Rockville Ward organized in United Order, Pres. Oliver Demill¹⁸⁴

March 20: **Mt. Carmel** organized in United Order, Pres. Israel Hoyt [bishop?]¹⁸⁵

¹⁷³ Hebron Ward general minutes (photocopy) *Doris Truman Enterprise Utah History Files*, p.636, Church History Library MS 17893

¹⁷⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.12

¹⁷⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.12

¹⁷⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.22; William Augustus Bringhurst, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.678,

<https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/678/mode/2up>

¹⁷⁷ Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.323, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁷⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.24

¹⁷⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.27

¹⁸⁰ Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.323, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁸¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.29; Wyllys Darwin Fuller, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.593, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/592>

¹⁸² Ordination, *Presiding bishopric meetings minutes, 1862-1879*, p.323, Church History Library CR 4 2, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/e9b0c4cc-2d99-497a-b4ce-f5afe97ea098/0/0>

¹⁸³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.30

¹⁸⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.31

¹⁸⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.31

March 22: **Glendale Ward** organized in United Order, Pres. James Leithead.¹⁸⁶ *This indicates that there are still the two ward-lites under the Long Valley Ward.*

P.61 sounds very Marxist....

April 6: UO organized in **Bellevue Branch** of Toquerville Ward, president not mentioned¹⁸⁷

April 6: Circular announces that Brigham Young has called Jacob Hamblin and others, who have been traveling to the Hopi frequently, to make a permanent settlement at Moencopi, with families drawn largely from the St. George Stake; the circular letter signed by John W. Young, appearing to act in the role of Mission President.¹⁸⁸ This is also the day that Brigham Young (with Erastus Snow) has left St. George. *JW Young had helped with the organizations of the United Order, but is never mentioned in person after mid-April. Did he leave? Was he ill?*

Apr 7: United Orders set up in "Harmony and Kanarra Wards of St. George Stake,"¹⁸⁹ directed by bishops Wilson D. Pace and Lorenzo W. Roundy

April 8: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as May 1873¹⁹⁰ mp:700283

- **Toker**, Wm A Bringhamurst
- **Duncan's Retreat**, Moses Gibson
- **Leeds**, Solomon Angell
- **Clover**, LL Wood

April 10: Mentions "Bishop [John L.] Blythe of Moencoppy"¹⁹¹ *is it a ward?* Circular to the stake leaders signed by John W. Young (president?)

May: The four "mountain wards:" Pine Valley, Pinto, Hebron, and Panaca, decide to work together on some United Order endeavors.¹⁹² *In the end, only Hebron and Pinto form a single company.*

June 5: Conference of St. George Stake¹⁹³ mp:700289

- "President John W. Young being absent, his first Counselor, Elder Robert Gardner, presided"
- John W. Young, President of the Southern Mission
- Robert Gardner and Alex'r F. Macdonald of the Presidency of St. George Stake
- Bishops all the same, except "Tho's J. Jones as acting Bp of **Panaca** and **Eagleville** Wards"

Sep: John W. Young visits his half brother at the Naval Academy in Maryland.¹⁹⁴ *Returning to New York?*

¹⁸⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.49

¹⁸⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.86

¹⁸⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.87

¹⁸⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.92

<https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=452fdf82-6841-4ff2-8a2f-6a34845cc89a&crate=0&index=91>

¹⁹⁰ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.23 #9 (April 8 1874) p.151, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2635244>

¹⁹¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.92

¹⁹² Hebron Ward general minutes (photocopy) *Doris Truman Enterprise Utah History Files*, p.649, Church History Library MS 17893

¹⁹³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.127

¹⁹⁴ Feramorz L. Young Letter, Oct 24 1874, *Brigham Young office files*, General Correspondence, Incoming, Letters from Young Family Members, Sons of Brigham Young, Feramorz L. Young, Church

Oct: **Camp Lorenzo** first settled, led by James May¹⁹⁵

Oct 21: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as above.¹⁹⁶

Nov 1: Conference of St. George Stake of Zion, Erastus Snow presiding¹⁹⁷

- Sustainings mostly same as June, except: Wm F. Butler AB **2nd Ward**; Howard O. Spencer B **Long Valley**

After this conference, there is no further mention of John W. Young as mission president

Zemirah Draper appointed PE Springdale Branch of Rockville Ward, succeeding Albert Petty, deceased. Edward Bunker left Santa Clara to help settle Clover Valley¹⁹⁸

Oliver Demill appointed PE Shoonsburg Branch (Walter Stringham removed)¹⁹⁹

Jorgen C. Peterson made the PE of Mountain Dell Branch

In a letter to his father, April 2 1875 from New York City, John W. Young assures his father of his faithfulness and mentions a "protracted illness last summer."²⁰⁰

1875

Jan 6: List of Presiding Elders and Bishops, same as above except:²⁰¹

- **Harrisburg**, Willis D. Fuller

Jan 23: Wyllys D. Fuller, bishop of **Leeds Ward** (including **Harrisburg Branch**) is asked to resign by the First Presidency

Feb 21: Panaca ward meets with Erastus Snow; AB Thomas J. Jones released (moving to Washington to take charge of a U.O. company), Luke Syphus elected as the new acting bishop (when Bro. Jones left).²⁰² He calls counselors on the 28th.

Feb 25: Luke Syphus replaces Thomas J. Jones as acting bishop of **Panaca Ward**.²⁰³ *This may be when Jones actually left Panaca.*

April: **Iron City Branch of Pinto Ward** organized, PE James H. Hart²⁰⁴

May 7: St. George Stake Conference²⁰⁵

- Mentions "Jesse W. Crosby, Jr, president of Panguitch Stake"

History Library CR 1234 1 box 45 folder 1, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=6d270b82-d05a-4fb8-964c-22de542617b0>

¹⁹⁵ Camp Lorenzo, Washington Utah, <https://wchsutah.org/miscellaneous/camp-lorenzo2.txt>

¹⁹⁶ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.23 #38 (January 6 1875) p.603, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2613752>

¹⁹⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.194

¹⁹⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.216

¹⁹⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1874 p.217

²⁰⁰ John W. Young Letter, April 2 1875, *Brigham Young office files*, General Correspondence, Incoming; Letters from Young Family Members; Sons of Brigham Young; John W. Young, 1875; Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 45 folder 7, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets?id=c64cf49c-27ec-43fcb9c3-e6234d8b1e5c&crate=0&index=0> (accessed: July 12, 2020)

²⁰¹ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #49 (January 6 1875) p.782, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2614880>

²⁰² Record of the Teachers Quorum, *Panaca Ward general minutes*, V.25 p.112a, Church History Library LR 6708 11

²⁰³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.22

²⁰⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.40

²⁰⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.36

- Sustainings not itemized in report

Spring: first mention of Bloomington, across the river from Price City²⁰⁶

June 9: List of Bishops and Presiding Elders, same as January, except **Panacca**, Luke Syphus.²⁰⁷

September: Young Men's Mutual Improvement Associations organized in several wards²⁰⁸

September: first mention of Camp Lorenzo, between Washington and Harrisburg on the Rio Virgen, by settlers from the Brigham City United Order, directed by Lorenzo Snow to grow cotton [just above Washington Fields dam].²⁰⁹

September 23: Visiting apostle Franklin D. Richards mentions Lorenzo Snow visiting "Brigham City Farm, 6 miles beyond Washington"²¹⁰

Nov 5: Southern Mission Conference, President Erastus Snow, sustainings not itemized.²¹¹

Nov 18: Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement Association organized in St. George, then elsewhere.²¹²

During this year, as the United Order fizzled in Rockville, some residents moved to the **Springdale** and **Shoonsburg** Branches of Rockville Ward, where it was still working.²¹³

By the end of this year, several wards and branches have already abandoned the United Order: Toquerville Ward, Harmony Ward, **Ft. Hamblin Branch of Pinto Ward**, Washington Ward, Pinto Ward, Panaca Ward, Pine Valley Ward.²¹⁴

Due to peaceful relations with the Navajo, Moencopi Mission was re-established this year.²¹⁵

1876

Jan 9: Zemirah Draper, PE Springdale, dies²¹⁶

March 23: The Arizona pioneer companies arrive at Sunset Crossing of the Little Colorado [CC]

May 12: Conference of the Southern Utah Mission, Brigham Young Presiding²¹⁷

- Sustainings not itemized in report

²⁰⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.43

²⁰⁷ Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret News*, V.24 #19 (June 9 1875) p.295, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2640773>

²⁰⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.56

²⁰⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.57

²¹⁰ Franklin D. Richards, *Journal*, V.23 p.308, Church History Library MS 1215, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/bb9586d0-592c-4022-8de0-e69849f1c172/0/0>

²¹¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.60; Correspondence, *Deseret News*, Nov 29 1876, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2625097>

²¹² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.67

²¹³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.75

²¹⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.76

²¹⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1875 p.77

²¹⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.35

²¹⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.15

May: A group of church leaders (led by DH Wells, E Snow, B Young Jr) travels to “the new settlements in Arizona.” May 28, Lorenzo W. Roundy (Kanarra Ward Bishop) drowns in the Colorado.²¹⁸ They visit Moenave, Moencopi, and the settlements on the Little Colorado.

Summer: Israel Hunsaker takes charge of **Camp Lorenzo**. [branch yet?]²¹⁹

Oct: Silver Reef founded near Leeds²²⁰

Nov 5: Conference of St. George Stake²²¹ mp:700294

- Erastus Snow, President of the Southern Mission, with assistants, high council, priesthood quorums
- Daniel D. McArthur, Bishop of **St George Ward**; David Milne, Henry Eyring, Walter Granger, Nathaniel Ashby, his assistants [*wards eliminated?*]
- Ward Bishops: John W. Freeman, **Washington**; Marius Ensign, AB **Santa Clara**; William A. Bringhurst, **Toquerville**; John Parker, **Virgen City**; Charles N. Smith, **Rockville**; A.B. Griffin, **Kanarra**; Wilson D. Pace, **Harmony**; Wm Snow, **Pine Valley**; Amos G. Thornton, AB **Pinto**; Luke Syphus, AB **Panaca** (including Eagleville and adjacent settlements); George H. Crosby, **Hebron**; L. John Nuttall, **Kanab**; Howard O. Spencer, **Long Valley**; Goudy Hogan, AB **Leeds**, Milton Daily, PE **Harrisburgh**.
- [as usual], Presiding Elders of Branches to be sustained by their respective bishops

December 22: Final published list of Bishops and Presiding Elders, same as 1875.²²²

“This year, Wyllys D. Fuller moved from Harrisburg to Arizona...Goudy Hogan, who was presented as Acting Bishop of Leeds at last November Conference has been chosen as Bishop of **Leeds** Ward...and Elder Milton Dailey was appointed and set part as Presiding Elder of **Harrisburg** Branch.”²²³

Price City Branch of St. George 2nd Ward organized, President Milo Andrus.²²⁴ At the end of the year, Wm. Lang replaces him.

Robert Knell ordained bishop of Pinto Ward

Iron City abandoned

1877

January 1: Portions of the St. George Temple are dedicated

Jan 8: Edward Bunker leads a group of Santa Clara residents to settle **Bunkerville**, Nevada.²²⁵

Jan 17: First large pioneer party (82 persons) leaves for Arizona, led by Daniel W. Jones.²²⁶

March 6: Dan W. Jones Company arrives at Salt River (Mesa)²²⁷

²¹⁸ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.29

²¹⁹ Camp Lorenzo, <https://wchsutah.org/miscellaneous/camp-lorenzo2.txt>

²²⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.40

²²¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.42

²²² Presiding Elders and Bishops, *Deseret Evening News*, V.10 #27 (December 22, 1876) p.4, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=23166497>

²²³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1876 p.53

²²⁴ *Price Ward general minutes*, p.2, Church History Library LR 7199 11, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/6884315c-f212-44bb-aab5-802df9b875b7/0/4>

²²⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.30

²²⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.32, 39

²²⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.51

March 13: At a land dispute in Mount Carmel Ward, Bishop HBM Jolley presides. Also present are bishops James Leithead (Glendale) and Howard O. Spencer (Orderville & Long Valley presiding bishop).²²⁸ So they are still separate wards.

April 4: General Conference begins (in the temple assembly room. In the stake presidency seats sit Erastus Snow, with Alexander F. Macdonald and David H. Cannon.²²⁹

April 5: As part of General Conference, St. George Stake is reorganized and complete temple is dedicated.²³⁰

- John D.T. McAllister, President of St. George Stake, counselors, high council, MP quorums
- *Wards not listed*
- Ordinations after meeting: John Parker as bishop of **Virgen City Ward** [was he only acting before?]

April 6: Easton Kelsey is set apart as a bishop to preside over the stake Priests' quorum²³¹

April 13: **Leeds Ward**, new bishop Goudy Hogan²³² *but source says he started in 1876*

April 13: BY writes JDT McAllister with some follow-up instructions, including:²³³ **"See that every ward is thoroughly organized, and that every family, no matter how far removed from settlements, is recognized and counted into some ward. In cases where there are two or three families, organize them with someone to preside, and see that meetings and Sunday Schools are kept up with them. Every member throughout this stake is to have some recognized standing, or be dealt with for fellowship."** "The St. George Stake will consist of the following Wards: St. George, Washington, Santa Clara, Leeds, Toquerville, Virgen City, Rockville, Pine Valley, Hebron, and Panacca."

April 15: Marius Ensign set apart as bishop of **Santa Clara**²³⁴

April 17: Bishops ordained (*=new):²³⁵ mp:700313

- **St. George 1st Ward**, Bishop *Miles P. Romney²³⁶ (David Milne called on a mission)
- **St. George 2nd Ward**, Walter Granger [*Is 2nd/3rd Ward boundary moved so Granger is in the 2nd Ward?*]
- **St. George 3rd Ward**, *James William Nixon

April 17: Conference to organize the Kanab Stake.²³⁷

- L. John Nuttall for president, counselors, high council, MP quorums

²²⁸ Mount Carmel investigation meeting minutes, Church History Library LR 5809 26

²²⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.59

²³⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.75; General Conference in St. George, *Deseret News* V.26 #10 (April 11 1877) p.156 <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626313>

²³¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.76

²³² Goudy Hogan, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.593, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/592>

²³³ Brigham Young, letter to J.D.T. McAllister, 13 Aprils 1877, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks*, V.16, p.113, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/79ed6fe2-0ede-4497-9c04-a49c4cd82785>

²³⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.139

²³⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.114

²³⁶ Miles Park Romney, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.594, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/593>

²³⁷ Organization of the Kanab Stake of Zion, *Deseret News* V.26 #15 (May 16 1877) p.234 <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2626732>

- Settlements to include: Windsor, Moccasin, Long Valley [Mt. Carmel, Orderville, Glendale, Alton], Kanab, Johnson, Pahreah, and the settlements north of the Colorado River [Mt. Trumbull?]

April 18: Wilford Woodruff ordains David H. Cannon as bishop of the **4th Ward**.²³⁸

April 22: Thomas J. Jones appointed bishop of **Washington Ward**²³⁹ (John W. Freeman called on mission). Wilford Woodruff ordains Jones a bishop.²⁴⁰

May 6: Charles Nephi Smith retained as bishop of **Rockville Ward**; David Henry Cannon set apart as bishop of **St. George 4th Ward**²⁴¹

May 14: UO organized in **Mt. Trumbull Branch**

May 22: Relief societies and MIAs organized in each of the St. George wards [they are clearly true wards at this point]²⁴²

May 25: BY writes Pres. JDT McAllister. **Pinto Ward**'s petition to be part of St. George Stake (instead of Parowan?) is accepted.²⁴³ Matching letters also go to the Pinto Ward and Wm. H. Dame.

June 2: Wilford Woodruff reports that branches have been organized at **Price City** (PE Wm Lang, attached to 2nd Ward) and **Mount Trumbull** (PE Eli Whipple, attached to 1st Ward).²⁴⁴

June 7: **Gunlock Branch** of Santa Clara Ward organized, PE Dudley Leavitt²⁴⁵

June 17: at Pine Valley, Charles Franklin Foster set apart to preside over Jeffery's Place [Chadburn/Brookside], Foster's Place [Central], and Hunt's Place; George Martin Burgess to preside over Grass Valley.²⁴⁶

June 18: **Pinto Branch** organized as a ward, Bishop Robert Knell [*when did it devolve into a branch?*]²⁴⁷

June 18: **Pinto Ward** reorganized by Wilford Woodruff and Pres. MacAllister, Robert Knell ordained Bishop²⁴⁸ **Hamblin Branch** appears to be dependent, and it includes the iron works

July 7: District Conference of St. George Stake.²⁴⁹ mp:700290

²³⁸ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1873 Jan - 1880 Feb*, p.238, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/eb07ddd8-d258-43b3-82fd-1b0bc186b269/0/248>

²³⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.115

²⁴⁰ Wilford Woodruff, *Journal 1873 Jan - 1880 Feb*, p.239, Church History Library MS 1352, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/eb07ddd8-d258-43b3-82fd-1b0bc186b269/0/249>

²⁴¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.116

²⁴² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.117

²⁴³ Brigham Young, letter to John D.T. McAllister, 25 May 1877, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.14*, p.856, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/8ee2bf6f-8a90-4bd6-943d-532c27f3aae2>

²⁴⁴ Wilford Woodruff, letter to Brigham Young 2 June 1877, *Brigham Young Office Files, Letterbooks, V.16*, p.137, Church History Library CR 1234 1 box 10, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/79ed6fe2-0ede-4497-9c04-a49c4cd82785>

²⁴⁵ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.123

²⁴⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.125

²⁴⁷ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.126

²⁴⁸ *Pinto Ward Record Book*, p. 164, Church History Library LR 6952 29, <https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/assets/c1630ec3-e1b0-461e-be57-8e92279fb916/0/168>

²⁴⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.130

- Goudy Hogan, bishop of **Leeds** says several families in Leeds are moving to Orderville, and Howard O. Spencer Bishop of **Orderville** is “presiding over the business of Leeds so far as the members thereof had placed themselves in the United Order.”
- John D.T. McAllister, president of St. George Stake, with counselors, high council, priesthood quorums
- Ward Bishops: Miles P. Romney **1st Ward St. George**; Walter Granger **2nd Ward**; James W. Nixon **3rd Ward**; David H. Cannon **4th Ward**; Thomas J. Jones **Washington**; Marius Ensign **Santa Clara**; Wm A. Bringham **Toquerville**; John Parker **Virgen City**; Charles N. Smith **Rockville**; William Snow **Pine Valley**; Robert Knell **Pinto**; Luke Syphus **Panaca**; George H. Crosby **Hebron**; Goudy Hogan **Leeds** [14 wards]
- Branch Presiding Elders: Eli Whipple **Mt. Trumbull**; William Lang **Price City**; George Prince **Middleton**; Dudley Leavitt **Gunlock Fort**; Edward Bunker Sr. **Bunkerville**; Milton Dailey **Harrisburg**; James Sylvester **Bellevue**; Jorgan Peterson **North Creek**; Moses Gibson **Duncan’s Retreat**; Alonzo H. Russell **Grafton**; Evan M. Greene **Springdale**; James A. Lemmon **Northop**; Oliver DeMill **Shoonsburg**; Charles F. Foster **Foster’s Place**; George M. Burgess **Grass Valley**; Jacob M. Truman **Ft. Hamblin**; Lyman S. Wood **Clover Valley**; John Egbert Hammond **Eagle Valley**; Artemas Millett **Spring Valley** [20 branches]

July 29: Organization of Parowan Stake. Harmony and Kanarra “is considered as belonging to that stake, . . . but afterwards, as a matter of choice of Harmony and Kanarra Wards, they were added to St. George Stake.”²⁵⁰

July: Statistical report of St. George Stake shows 4300 members in the 14 wards (which include their dependent branches).²⁵¹

August 13: Eli Whipple released from Mt. Trumbull UO, moved to Pine Valley UO; John P. Chidester made superintendent at Mt. Trumbull²⁵² (what about branch?)

Nov 18: mention of Bunkerville Ward²⁵³

Dec: William Lang, Pres. **Price City Branch of 2nd Ward**, moved to St. George

Dec 15: Stake Conference, sustainings same as in July except:²⁵⁴ mp:700295, 700346

- Thomas S. Terry, Bishop of **Hebron** Ward “set apart 16th inst.” [GH Crosby moved to Leeds]
- George Henry Crosby, Bishop of **Leeds** Ward [Goudy Hogan moved to Orderville]
- John P. Chidester PE **Mt. Trumbull** Branch
- Nephi R. Fawcett PP **Price City** Branch
- Niels Sorenson PP **Pleasant Valley** Branch [Pine Valley Ward?]
- Thomas A. Jeffrey PP **Jeffery’s Place** on the Clara [Chadburn/Brookside] and Dameron Valley attached to 3rd Ward St. George
- Israel Hunzaker PP **Camp Lorenzo** Branch
- Zemira Palmer PP **Orderville Cotton Farm** Branch

²⁵⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.142

²⁵¹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.142

²⁵² *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.144

²⁵³ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.159

²⁵⁴ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.162; Correspondence, *Deseret News*, V.26 #48 (Jan 2 1878) p.766, <https://newspapers.lib.utah.edu/details?id=2629536>

The Orderville Cotton Farm was across the Virgin River from Washington [Washington Fields], 2 or 3 miles southeast of Washington. [Perhaps the earlier site of Morristown?]²⁵⁵ 2 miles downstream from the Washington Dam.

Dec 31: St. George Stake includes 14 wards, 816 families, 4592 members. In its first year, St. George temple performed 30,384 baptisms for the dead, 1,116 living endowments, 13,168 endowments for the dead, 475 living sealings, 4,101 sealings for the dead, 327 living sealings to parents; 238 sealings to parents for the dead; 27 living adoptions; 30 adoptions for the dead; 231 living second anointings, 194 second anointings for the dead.²⁵⁶

Grafton Ward organized, bishop Alonzo H. Russell [EH, MH]²⁵⁷ Unlikely given the conference sustainings; other secondary sources suggest this may have happened as late as 1884

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15 Jan: List of wards and bishops, including St. George Stake [branches not listed]²⁵⁸
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- Miles P. Romney, 1st ward, St. George
- Walter Granger, 2nd ward, “
- James Wm Nixon, 3d ward, “
- David H Cannon, 4th ward, “
- Marius Ensign, Santa Clara
- Thos J Jones, Washington
- Geo H Crosby, Leeds
- Wm Snow, Pine Valley
- Robt Knell, Pinto
- Thos B Terra, Hebron
- Wm A Bringhurst, Toquerville
- John Parker, Virgen City
- Chas N Smith, Rockville
- Luke Syphus, Panacea, Lincoln County, Nev
- J.D.T. McAllister, President of Stake

Feb 2: Zemira Palmer set apart as PE Orderville Cotton Farm Branch of Washington Ward (2 miles upriver from Washington on the south side); Israel Hunsaker as PE Camp Lorenzo Branch of Washington Ward.²⁵⁹

March 16-17: St. George Stake Conference. Harmony and Kanarra Wards moved from Parowan Stake to St. George Stake.²⁶⁰

²⁵⁵ Emma Carroll Seegmiller, Personal Memories of the United Order of Orderville, Utah, *Utah Historical Quarterly*, V.7 (1939), p.179. https://issuu.com/utah10/docs/volume_7_1939/166

²⁵⁶ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1877 p.168

²⁵⁷ Alonzo Haventon Russell, *Latter-day Saint Biographical Encyclopedia*, V.4 p.679, <https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintbi04jens/page/678/mode/2up>

²⁵⁸ 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>

²⁵⁹ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1878 p.5; Zemira Palmer Journal, <https://zemirapalmer.blogspot.com/2011/05/zemira-palmer-journal-memoir-state-of.html>

²⁶⁰ *Annals of the Southern Utah Mission*, 1878 p.13

Dec 14-15: Stake Conference.²⁶¹ Decided to organize Bunkerville and Price as wards.

²⁶¹ *Annals*, 1878 p.51