

## BELNAP'S OFFICIAL REPORT.

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### The Sheriff and Chief Pratt Confer —Reported Outrages.

Yesterday afternoon a warrant was issued to Sheriff Belnap from Commissioner Hulaniski's court, where complaint had been filed by one Parker, of Riverdale, charging Chief Pratt and his police with assault, for the arrest of the chief. Belnap went to the Davis line and according to his own story claims he was acting under the instructions from the county attorney, who directed him to make an investigation of the alleged assault and act accordingly.

He says he called on Chief Pratt who told him all about the case and who attached all the blame to Parker, who, the chief claims, was riding around on his horse, going through ridiculous antics, and that he was only made to desist in order to maintain the peace.

Pratt further informed the sheriff that the alleged assault was committed in Davis county and consequently was beyond the jurisdiction of the Ogden peace officers. Belnap took Pratt's word for it and after looking over the long line of policemen, concluded that "discretion was the better part of valor" and quietly pulled his freight for home without offering to serve the papers.

Reports come in to the effect that indignities are continually perpetrated against the citizens who attempt to cross into Davis county. It is said one citizen was led across the line by a rope fastened around his neck. Another report is that a man had been arrested while walking over his own farm. It is to be hoped these reports are not true. If they are, it is high time the outrage on the Davis county line was stopped.

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