

BELNAP FAMILY

REUNION HELD

Most Enjoyable Time Had by the Members of the Family.

The Belnap family reunion was held yesterday at the old Belnap homestead, there being over 250 members of the family and relatives present.

The family gathered in the morning at the Hooper meeting house and at 12 noon the big tents which had been erected for the purpose were thrown open and the assembled relatives partook of a sumptuous repast.

At 2 o'clock p. m. the following program was given in the Hooper meeting house, with Gilbert Belnap, Jr., as master of ceremonies:

Song—Belnap Glee Club—"O, Ye Mountains High."

Prayer—Bishop Thomas Callister of Fillmore.

Song—Belnap Glee Club—"The Old Oaken Bucket."

Address of Welcome—Adeline Belnap, widow of Gilbert Belnap, the father of the family. Mrs. Belnap recounted the lives of herself and husband from the time she was a bride of 15.

Duet—Wealthy and Maud Belnap.

Historical sketch by Henry Belnap of the boyhood of Gilbert Belnap and his pilgrimage to Utah. Sketch by Hyrum Belnap tracing the genealogy of the Belnaps back to 1016 A. D.

Address—Gilbert Belnap, Jr.

Recitation—Marion A. Belnap.

Address—Jane Belnap Hammond.

Address—Pres. C. F. Middleton, giving reminiscences of the boyhood days of Gilbert Belnap and himself.

Address—Bishop Thomas Callister.

Farewell—Francis M. Belnap.

Benediction—Levi B. Hammond.

After the program an informal social was enjoyed for several hours, and lunch was partaken of, after which the family repaired to the amusement hall, which was thrown open for a free public dance.

The immediate Belnap family consists of seventeen children of Gilbert Belnap, 133 grand children and 52 great grandchildren.

Gilbert Belnap was the first marshal, the first sexton and the first city attorney of Ogden. He was the first county sheriff of Weber county, and has served in the capacity besides, of assessor and collector, adjutant general of the Utah militia, and was bishop of Hooper for twenty years. He was organizer in 1867 of the first Hooper canal company.

There were present yesterday members of the family from Arizona, Idaho and all parts of Utah.