

DEATH OF A PIONEER.

The Founder of Harrisville Laid to Rest.

Martin H. Harris died February 14th, 1889, at Harrisville, of general debility. He was born September 27th, 1820, in Wyoming county, Pennsylvania, being 68 years, 4 months and 16 days old at the time of his demise. The deceased was the son of Emer Harris and a nephew of Martin Harris, one of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon. He early identified himself with the Church. The progenitors of the Harris family came at a very early day from England, settling in Providence, Rhode Island. His grandfather moved to the town of Palmyra, Wayne county, New York, being amongst the first of the white race who settled there. Emer Harris, father of the deceased, died at Logan, Cache county, Utah, November 23th, 1869, at the age of 83 years.

Brother Martin has led an eventful life. When a young man he guarded the house of the Prophet Joseph Smith in Nauvoo, and was on duty in the Legion when the corner-stone of the Nauvoo temple was laid. On August 17, 1842, while traveling through the woods he discovered the Prophet Joseph in hiding from his enemies, mention of which is made by Joseph in his history. He came to Weber County, Utah, in 1850, and in 1851 he settled in Harrisville, being the first settler north of Four-mile Creek. Harrisville derived its name from him. In 1855 he married Georgianna, daughter of Robert and Mary Alders, who now reside in Huntsville. She died in 1858, leaving one child, Emer, who now resides in Cache County. In 1859 he married his present wife, Louisa Sargent, and by her has had six children, three boys and three girls. All were present at their father's death except the oldest daughter, who lives in Idaho. In the spring of 1876 he planted a grove of 100 shade trees in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of our nation's freedom. These stand to this day as a lasting memento of his love of home and country.

The history of Brother Harris may be said to be the history of Harrisville, for he has identified himself with all her public enterprises, being the first to open his house for a school, which he taught gratuitously. Some of our prominent young men were students therein.

Space will not permit me to name all the conditions in which he has been a public benefactor. It is only proper to say he was always foremost in all public movements, was very industrious and frugal, and gathered property around him which enabled him to leave his family comfortably provided for. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to the needy, and as a Latter-day Saint he was strictly scrupulous in the payment of his tithing and donations.

He has been a subscriber to the *Deseret News*, *Juvenile Instructor*, the *Ogden Junction*, (now *THE STANDARD*) and other works from their publication, and has been the first to support all home industries. Sister Harris wears a silk dress every part of which was raised and manufactured by her own hands.

He was regarded as one of God's noblemen—an honest man—and at his death he requested that all outward display at his funeral should be plain and in harmony with his Pioneer life.

The funeral services were held at Harrisville last schoolhouse, presided over by Bishop P. G. Taylor. The choir rendered appropriate hymns. The speakers, Bishop P. G. Taylor, President L. W. Shurtliff, Patriarch Joseph Taylor, William W. Dixon, and High Counselor D. B. Rawson dwelt upon their early associations with the deceased and his many many virtues. Elder Joseph Perry dwelt on the condition of humanity here and hereafter.

His wife, four sons, two daughters, and two adopted children and three brothers were present. The assembled people having viewed the remains, a large cortege followed them to Ogden Cemetery, where they were laid by the side of his dear wife Georgianna to rest in peace.

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From the Daily, February 17:

First District Court.

Court opened yesterday, February 16th, at 10 a. m., Judge Henderson on the bench.

In the divorce case of Alice J. Chatelain vs. Peter Chatelain an order was entered for alimony \$20, costs \$20: \$10 to be paid immediately, \$4 per week thereafter and \$75 attorney fees.

Albert E. Barnes vs. Theodore Bruback, motion for new trial was overruled.

In the case of W. A. Bates et al. vs. George Benton et al. the petition for the appointment of a receiver was denied.

Jens Mortensen, of Brigham City, was arraigned on a charge of unlawful cohabitation and pleaded guilty to the charge. On questions from the court he stated that he was 41 years old; had married his last wife twelve years ago; his youngest child by her was about two years of age. He was sentenced to four months' imprisonment and the payment of costs.

The following list of jurors were drawn for the remainder of the term, returnable on the 26th inst:

- 162—F A Miller.
- 181—Wm Beaton.
- 192—Sidney O Stevens.
- 120—Thos Ashley.
- 198—Adam Patterson.
- 134—August Carlson.
- 177—John S Miller.
- 199—Charles Lowe.
- 170—Emery W Soule.
- 155—E W Saut.
- 187—O I Goodwin.
- 193—Eli Bradley.
- 104—Fred Packard.
- 195—H H Smith.
- 183—Geo Adams.
- 185—Henry Fletcher.
- 167—Robert Snodgrass.
- 163—Samuel Dye.
- 126—John A Boyle.
- 15—R H Dodd.
- 124—Jedediah Ballantyne.
- 159—Benj Chadwick, Sr.
- 176—Hans D Petterson.
- 196—Lester Froer.
- 130—Jessie S Brown.
- 188—Wilford E Cragin.
- 128—Austin W Child.
- 165—Robert Cowan.
- 150—Geo H Greenwell.
- 166—Richard Dye.
- 184—John W Rex.
- 101—Fred Fay.
- 118—Albert A Allen.
- 181—Lyman Skeen.
- 179—Henry Taylor.
- 180—Nathan J Harris.

Court adjourned until Monday at 10 a. m.

Morier all Right With the Czar.

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—The Czar, Czarina and Czarowitch will attend the reception to be given by Sir R. D. Morier, British ambassador at St. Petersburg, Tuesday. In view of the quarrel between Sir Robert and Bismarck, much comment has been caused here by the announcement, as the attendance of three members of the Imperial family will be a mark of unusual patronage.

New York, Feb. 16.—The steamer Queen of the New York line arrived to-day after a tempestuous voyage. Rough weather caused the death of the horses Clusotto and Prince Leo, valued at \$10,000, each on the fourth day. The horses had been entered for many races here the coming season.