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Book #2

Friday, November 2nd 1866

Reveille was sounded by the bugle at 5am, followed immediately by a number of tunes from D. Huntington's band, by which time the camp was pretty fully aroused. At 6AM the various companies assembled upon their parade grounds to answer to roll call. Washed and took breakfast at 8AM, assembled for parade, after parade, Col. R, Smith took our regiment and drilled us in various deployments, massing and forming the square. By this time, 11am, a vast concourse of people had arrived. Dinner about noon. At 1pm the troops were again in line, the infantry wheeled by companies left in front, marched to the south and faced to the north, with the cavalry about a mile off and facing us. Both divisions being drawn up in line of battle. The infantry then advanced some distance and then marched by echelon with the 3rd Regiment 22 paces in advance of the other two regiments, we being on the left. The cavalry in the meantime keeping their original position. Skirmishers were then thrown and advanced some 200 yards. We being at a halt and about half way across the field. our skirmishers were not attacked by the cavalry skirmishers and forced to rally by groups. The groups proving insufficient were reinforced by their reserves and the combat waxed hot indeed. Upon this formed in line and advanced upon the double quick and were quickly mixed up with the combatants, the cavalry retreating. In this contest one of the infantry unfortunately had his eye blown out by a blank cartridge from a cavalryman's pistol. Order being restored, the artillery on both sides renewed the combat and the cavalry attacked us on our left flank compelling us to change our front and face the west. Their attacks from this direction were successfully resisted. The cavalry then changed to our left flank again and we changed our front to the south, causing the enemy, after a few unsuccessful charges to abandon the contest. The opposing forces uniting, and marching to the color line were dismissed. The number of visitors was estimated at 6000 and the whole camp was completely taken by our guests. By 6PM the camp was clear again and the roll taken.

Saturday, November 3rd, 1866

Parade at 8AM, At 8:30 a cannon was fired as a signal to strike tents. In 15 minutes this duty was performed and all in line again. We then formed a square and were addressed by Gen. R.T. Burton, B. Young Jr., Lot Smith, Col. Wm. Bace, R. Smith and others. The speakers each receiving 3 cheers. The remarks were highly complimentary to the militia. We then reduced the square and took our line of march for the city in 2 divisions. Our division going via 6th Ward bridge and the other division round by the Jordan Bridge, uniting again at the court house and passing up to West Temple street by the Governor's residence to Pres.

Young's. From there we marched by regiments to our headquarters and were dismissed. I enjoyed myself first rate. The weather was excellent throughout the whole campaign. Returned to the store about 3PM.

Saturday, December 22nd, 1866

Being rather neglectful in keeping my diary of late. Since my last entry nothing very particular has occurred. The weather has been very mild, no snow has fell that has remained for more then 2 or 3 days and it has not been cold enough to freeze but a night or so. The streets and roads have been and are horribly muddy. A week or two ago I joined Eardley's Brass Band. Have been negotiating for a house in the 15th Ward belonging to E.W. East. Could not agree. For sometime past considerable has been said about not trading with the gentiles. Today it culminated in a measure by the publication the "telegraph" of a card signed by a number of the so called gentile firms stating that i view of the successful enforcement of the instructions to the people in regard to trading that they, the gentile merchants regard it as an effort to drive them from the territory and there fore they bind themselves on the agreement of the Church to the 2 following propositions to leave the country; first, the payment of all debts due them from members of the Church, secondly, to sell to the church their goods, stores, houses and improvements of every kind at a fair cash valuation and 25% discount. To this document, Pres. Young replied that the leaders of the Church had never coerced anyone to trade here or trade there, but that he felt that the people were free to trade with who they liked as long as merchants were honorable, etc. He cared not what creed a merchant was as long as he dealt fairly by the community, but that men doing business here who had endeavored to bring trouble upon the people, who had misrepresented us, fostered a slanderous paper, opposed municipal laws in the sale of liquors, refusing to pay school taxes, etc. All such he opposed and de sired the people not to patronize them. As to buying them out at 25% discount, he replied that any merchant in this city would be glad to sell out on the terms remains to be seen and heard. The State Telegram progresses satisfactorily, being completed to Logan, and a party are now putting it up to between here and St. George.

Sunday, December 23rd, 1866

A fine Sunday at last. The Tabernacle this morning was well attended. Pres. Kim ball occupied the time till 1pm speaking on the topic of the day. Trading with gentiles, or more properly with our enemies. Mentioned Gilbert's name as an enemy to this people, etc. In the afternoon the tabernacle was densely crowded. After a very fervent and eloquent prayer by Geo. Q. Cannon, President Young arose and spoke upon the text "if ye are my disciples, year one", urging upon the saints the necessity of oneness in the present emergency. He drew the line between our traducers and gentiles or the reasons why the Saints would not trade with those

who have been so energetic in the endeavors to publish slander and bring troops to Utah, and those gentiles who have attended to their business and honored the laws. It was a most excellent discourse and the subject treated in a spirit of great and just toleration, but to those who have been guilty in their base endeavors would not feel at all comforted and flattered.

Wednesday, January 2nd, 1867

Christmas passed off quietly. In the morning and early part of the evening, I was with band serenading. In the evening, went to Wm. Phillips, enjoyed myself well. Yesterday, New Years Day. Strolled around to Madeline's, had by hair cut and took supper at Watmough's.

Sunday, January 13th, 1867

This PM's meeting was addressed by A. Milton Musser upon trading with gentiles, followed by Pres. Young, who said the saints here needed teaching in temporal things. That they had heard faith taught in Scandinavia, repentance in Calcutta, baptism in England and wherever they had been gathered from there they had heard there principles taught and had embraced them, and it was unnecessary to preach those principles to the saints here, but they required teaching in the way to be one, to be a nation to manufacture that they needed for their own use. Referring to the principle of consecration he said it seemed that the commandments first given the church would be the last to be obeyed. Dwelt sometime upon the call he had made to capitalists to bring machinery to this territory,

Saturday, January 26th, 1867

Last Sunday was a very disagreeable day, did not attend meeting, went to M.H.W. and copied some tunes. The weather continues mild, snowy, muddy, rainy and thoroughly mixed. Last night Bro. G. Parkman took charge of the band as conductor. We find him a great help. Yesterday went around to the Mayor's office to see a piece of penmanship executed by Bro. Graves of Provo for exhibition at the coming Paris Exposition. It was very creditable and interesting. Mormonism still exists and seems to be prospering. Everybody seems alive and doing a good spirit generally prevails. During the week I went to the bishop's and settled my tithing. Also arranged at the President's office for the payment of the balance of Mother's and my own emigration. Business dull; some talk of Rob and Fred going east and to England.

Sunday, January 27th, 1867

At this morning's meeting, Elder G.D. Watt bore a strong testimony to the truth of Mormonism. There is a well founded report that Elder Watt has succeeded to an estate in Ireland by some valued at \$50,000 and to the title of Lord Darlington. He is expected to leave for Europe this week, accompanied by Brigham Young Jr., who goes on a mission to England for a short time. He

has an appointment as commissioner to the Paris Exposition. In the PM, Elder B. Young Jr spoke for a short time followed by Elder Erastus Snow. Both spoke quite interestingly.

Saturday, February 2nd, 1867

There has been and is considerable talk about the election to come off next Monday. Many citizens having nominated Wm. McGority as delegate to Congress in opposition to Capt. Hooper. The McGority, or as he is burlesqued "Froth McWorth", party say their candidate will go as their representative even if he does not get the majority votes. William Young came up from Camp upon rather a singular errand in which Miss S.A.C. is concerned. He was very honest and plain in his communications and I felt like being the same with him. I gave him several mess ajes to deliver to Sarah, with which he was well satisfied promising to send by letter the result. The more I think of the whole affair, the more singular it appears. The weather continues very mild with snow and rain making the roads horrible, most horrible. My time is passed pretty much as follows; Get up about 6AM, light a fire, wash, take down the shutters, read the morning papers, the Daily Telegram and Union Pedette, by the time I have read the papers it is 8:15, when John Fry arrives and I start to breakfast. After eating, I either read, sing, play on my cornopean or accordion. Return to the store by 9:45, attend to customers till noon, then go up stairs in the office to dinner. At 12:30, come down stairs, attend to customers, etc., until 4:15, when I start to supper. After supper read or play on instruments. Return to the store at 5:45. At 6:30, "shut up" and passed the evening until 9 or 10pm reading, writing or talking. About 10pm & go to bed. This is varied by going around to the old city hall on Monday's and Thursday evenings and practicing with the band, and on Sundays, generally attend the two meetings in the Tabernacle, and every alternate Sunday evening generally attend the 16th Ward meeting, the other Sunday evening I have to be in the store by 5:30.

Sunday, February 10th, 1867

Last night attended at the court house the meeting of the 36th quorum of seven ties of which quorum I was ordained a member by Bro. Jesse W. Fox. Returning to the store, found Johnny with two of his friends, Mr. R. and Col. J imbibing very freely. Got rid of them about 11:30. This morning Fred & Rob left for the states and England. At this morning's meeting, Bro. W. Woodruff spoke of the increased and unparalleled wickedness of the world. This afternoon we had two fine sermons, one from Joseph and one from Pres. B. Young. The first upon keeping the spirit of God in our houses and various exhortations, and the second upon the petition of Nevada for the annexation of Utah to the State of Nevada. The coming of an army of 100,000 men and the necessary means for their transportation. A little on the opposition of the free masons to polygamy, referring to Solomon the author of Freemasonry. The patriarchal form of government. The reason for the giving of the

law of carnal commandments to the children of Israel. Consecration of our surplus property to the church. Our living working and constantly acting for the up building of the kingdom and with and eye single to it's advancement. Took supper at Haymer's and attended the 16th ward meeting.

Monday, February 25th, 1867

Was quite taken by surprise on leaving the band room last Thursday evening to find waiting for me was Joseph Morgan and Bill Young, who had come up on a visit. We all went round to the store together and there talked upon various topics till past midnight. On Friday afternoon, amid a blinding snowstorm, Joe started up with Crossley. Bill and I spending the evening talking and singing. Saturday, Joe and Bill Crossley and myself went to the theater and saw the Plays of Victims, The Spectre Bridegroom. Yesterday Joe, Bill and myself attended meeting at the tabernacle. John Van Cott preaching, also attended in the pm, Elder Stevenson and John Taylor speaking. At the close of this meeting we went down to see Mrs. Elizabeth Walker. After supper, visited Saddler's, practiced a few tunes and then went to the ward meeting. Joe and myself singing in the choir. Returned to the store and thus ending a busy and interesting day. This morning Joe and Bill started for home. I have enjoyed their visit very much. This evening Sharp and company returned from camp where they had been hunting for two days. Business very dull with everybody. The annexation is commented upon and finds no favor here. The election returns were all in last week and footed up some thing over 15,000 for Capt. Hooper, 106 for McGorty, and 6 for a nigger called Cy.

Sunday, March 3rd, 1867

All day Friday and yesterday it rained constantly, when at 6pm it turned into a blinding snowstorm, snowing about 3 hours. Today has been quite cold. This after noon's meeting was addressed by Bro. George Q. Cannon in a most eloquent manner upon signs and those who require signs, before embracing the truth. Farms by government the foundation of all government. The carrying on the work all must work for the cause, if they do not they will pass away and others take their place. Referred to Joshua & Caleb being the only ones who enter the Holy land of all who left Egypt. We are a blessed people, but some blessings, as rain, air, light, are bestowed on all, wicked or just. Some blessings can only through obedience to the Gospel. Obedience and faithfulness to bring greater liberty. The discourse was most excellent.

Sunday, Match 10th, 1867

The finest Sunday we have had for a long time. In yesterday's papers I see the committee on the annexation of Nevada to Utah (as it is put here) have reported adversely to annexation. This morning Bishop Wooley gave us a good practical sermon on having faith for the speaker. The necessity of bishops and all in authority doing right of their influence will be weak indeed. In

the pm, Bro. J.W. Young preached a thoroughly gospel sermon. He was followed by Pres. D.H. Wells making quite a protracted meeting. After the meeting went around to Henry Emery and there saw a juvenile instructor containing a communication from my self signed "T. Cott". Had supper at Saddlet's, after supper attended the ward meeting which was addressed by a person unknown to me and the Bishop. Also attended my quorum meeting last night. Everybody seems full of "Mormonism", and I have never seen a better spirit manifested, all take an interest in the events. Feminism is rampant in New York and Ireland. Severe snowstorm prevails both east and west, so that we have no mail from either quartet for about two weeks.

Tuesday, March 12th, 1867

Have been negotiating for the purchase of a house owned by E.W. East. Nothing definite yet. The great topic is flour-laying up grain, many apprehend a visit from the grasshoppers, who came in great numbers last fall as fat as Box Elder and there they laid millions of eggs. This has caused the counsel to lay up flour to be given anew. Mr. McGrority, the would be delegate to congress failed the other day. He has made himself notorious by his opposition and has been severely left alone; hence his failure. Free Masonry occupies out attention by the connection of the "boys" and Johnny with the brotherhood. Snow again today, and an extremely cold night.

Wednesday, Match 20th, 1867

Today I moved into my house, spent the evening at the theater rehearsing. Thursday took a walk with Stayner up to the new tabernacle, was told that is was of the following dimensions; 250 feet long, 150 feet broad and 72 feet high, also went into the room to look at the big organ, which is being built in the new tabernacle. In the evening went to the theater. After dressing up as a ????? rambled around and enjoyed the novelty of the scene very much. The singing went off pretty well. Considerable snow fell tonight, delaying spring.

Sunday, Match 24th, 1867

Charles C. Rich addressed the meeting this AM. Elder W. Woodruff this after noon spoke with much plainness and power upon the subject of the priesthood, the body and the spirit and the sacrament etc. During the course of his remarks, he had the choir sing several times. In the evening took supper with Tuckfield's and went to the 20th Ward meeting. Bro. Allen and A.O. Smoot speaking. The latter upon the changes of the earth, and the fashions.

Sunday, March 31st, 1867

This morning, Elder G.Q. Cannon spoke upon the manifestation of Divine guidance in the settling of these valleys and the exploration of the adjacent valleys to find a mote suitable place

for a city. That this independence of the saints in advocating and sustaining principles opposed to the prejudices of ages. Crowded meeting this pm. John Taylor speaking on the difference of our faith to the sects of our day. False notions of manliness by some young men, maintenance of the principles of the gospel in the opposition to the unlawful legislating of the nation. A nice fine day.

Sunday, April 7th, 1867

Yesterday, Bro. Thos. Hudson, who has been staying a day or two with us, left for his home in Provo Valley. Friday afternoon, Joe and Bill arrived from Fair field to attend conference. Was very glad to see them. Saturday they attended meeting, and reported the oneness of the saints in all things; home manufactures and the word of wisdom has been the topics of the discourse. In the evening we attended the theater and were much interested in the play of "Ten Nights in a Bar Room", which is a very impressive and instructive play; followed by the amusing pantomime of the "harlequins triumph". This Sunday morning we arose early and started to meeting, arriving at the Tabernacle about 9am, about an hour before the commencement of the meeting, could with difficulty find a seat. In less than 10 minutes every seat was occupied and the aisles filled. The meeting was addressed by G.A. Smith, followed by Pres. Young. At the close of the meeting we went around to the 14th Ward to see a friend of Joe. Returned to the Tabernacle at 12:30 to find it densely crowded so that we remained but a short time. Came into the yard to find an equally large number of persons; strolled around awhile, when our attention was attracted by hearing the President rapping upon the stand in the dilapidated Bowery. He announced that we should have the meeting there instead of the tabernacle. Soon a vast congregation was collected and the meeting commenced. Elders W. Woodruff, E.T. Benson and G.Q. Cannon speaking followed by the president, subject; the words of wisdom. This after noon at the close of the meeting went with Bill Young to M.H. W's to see Sarah, after she and her father had had supper, we went round to my place, where we found Bro. & Sister Dye from Weber, Mrs Watmough and Amanda, Joe, Auntie and Mrs M.A. Walker. After talking and some music from Bill, Mr. Carson, W.A. Walker and Auntie and Sarah and myself we started back to M.H.W. Had a very free and candid talk with Sarah explaining the position of various persons and things. On my way back to the house could not help thinking on the singular relation of affairs between Sarah and myself. At the corner, met Bill and told him every thing and gave him certain advice and instructions. We returned to the store about 9pm.

Monday, April 8th, 1867

This pm was disagreeably startled by seeing Bill come into the store about an hour before the meeting "let out". I imagined all sorts of things about going on missions by seeing him enter at that time. It seems he got tired of standing. He mentioned the

name of a few that had been called to go on missions. Among whom were Jas. Needham, Ed Butterfield, Woodmansie and John Lewis. The evening, after having a good supper at C. Read's was spent in singing. Conference ad journeyed today. Surprise has been manifested at the non-mention of Amasa Lyman's name in the Quorum.

Tuesday, April 9th, 1867

Joe and company made calculations to go home today, but did not start. Enjoyed a pleasant evening in the store with them.

Friday, April 12th, 1867

Dark and rainy, Hash has been to see me about his property. The affair rather muddled. Gilbert and Sons are closed, selling out their stock to Woodmansie Bros. Judge Titus made considerable of a speech a few days since upon polygamy. On Monday last, Johnny Cunnington started for Montana.

Sunday, April 14th, 1867

The meeting this AM and PM was addressed by about 20 of the Elders called to go on missions. Their remarks were listened to with the greatest attention and they all spoke well. They were addressed by Bros John Taylor & Pres. Young, both given them and the congregation much good advice. Pres Young remarked the necessity of their going in faith, not to go to see the world and live upon the poor, but to go to preach the gospel to heal the sick, to help the oppressed, to endeavor to support themselves and not live and beg from the poor saints.

Sunday, April 21st, 1867

The meeting this morning was addressed by Bishop Brown of Pleasant Grove, who stated that he had been called to go on a mission to the Southern States. He was followed in his remarks by a foreign brother called to go to Europe. This after noon, Pres. B. Young called for contributions to aid the missionaries. I gave \$5.00. The President was followed by Joseph Young, Sen. and Heber C. Kimball. Pres. Young stated he was going to start tomorrow for Dixie. In the evening I attended a meeting at the 13th Ward. Elder E.S. Sloan occupied the time speaking on the subject of martial relation, answering the speech of Judge Titus. John Fry left this morning for Farmington, going on business. A great deal of interest is manifested in the Word of Wisdom. A large number seem to be endeavoring to observe it. Much good, I think, will result from the teaching at the last conference, and their application to practice. Mails east very irregular. Rivers are rapidly rising in every quarter. River Jordan no exception.

Sunday, April 28th, 1867

Spring begins to make its appearance by the budding of the trees. Report that Fred is on his way home, various surmises as to the cause of his speedy return. This morning attended meeting. Bros. Ursenbach and another Elder called to go on a mission. Heber

John Richards and Heber C. Kimball occupying the time. This afternoon, Jeter Clinton, Bishop Shart, Joseph W. Young and H.C. Kimball spoke of the good order prevalent here, ruling families by kindness, reminiscences of the days of Jackson County. Far west and other places and the first missionary to England. H.C. Kimball, 1837.

Tuesday, May 7th, 1867

With John Fry, I took a very pleasant walk on Sunday morning. I visited in the garden with H.W. Naisbitt. Returned and had breakfast and then went to the tabernacle. Listened with interest to a short talk from D. Huntington upon the subject of the House of Israel-Indians. Spoke of the depredation of the Indians in the south. Dimick was followed by Father Millar and D.H. Wells upon the same subject. In the afternoon attended the funeral of H. Emery's father, aged 75 years. In the evening attended the meeting in the 15th Ward. Enjoyed myself there first rate. Remarks were made by an Elder from London and Robert T. Burton, the remarks and counsel of the latter were most excellent and full of spirit and life. He had just returned from a visit with Pres. D.H. Wells to San Pete. It seems that the depredations of the Indians are so threatening that it has been deemed necessary to abandon the settlements of the Sevier, the people scattering all through the south. Notwithstanding all this, we are counseled not to cherish feelings of hatred and vengeance against the Indians, but to be prepared to meet any hostile demonstrations from them as to make them realize its unprofitableness. Monday, Fred returned home and during the day he has been holding quite a reception. Very hot today. Peaches in full bloom and everything looking nice. Business continues very dull. Considerable gossip about the effect that Amasa Lyman has joined the Josephites. Have heard nothing reliable and hope it is not true, although there is something out of kilter as his name was omitted at Conference when the people were called to support the quorum of the "Twelve". Agree ably surprised to see and hear how general is the observance of the "Word of Wisdom" since conference.

Sunday, May 12th, 1867

On Wednesday evening I went with the band and serenaded the following missionaries: John Lewis (where we had refreshments), Ted Jacobs, Ed Butterfield and R. Sharkey. Yesterday, we closed up, preparatory to a change of business. The boys going to do an exclusive wholesale business in this store for this purpose we have closed, taking all the goods upstairs, the shelves and counters to be moved. Attended meeting and listened with interest to remarks from J.D. T. McAllister upon a great variety of principles. Word of Wisdom, home manufactures, etc. One subject he very slightly touched upon which could be treated upon at length, Personal Independence. He was followed by Bro. E.L. Sloan upon the press of Utah. Individual standards by which we judged one another, and the influence of mothers over their children. Pres.

Kimball made a number of remarks upon his personal family affairs, but I must admit if there was anything good and of general utility spoken by him, I failed to appreciate it. In the afternoon, took a walk with Henry Emery to Aymers where we spent the after noon and had supper.

Wednesday, May 15th, 1867

This afternoon went out with the band to meet Pres. Young and company. We traveled behind Capt. Croxall's band and with a detachment of cavalry some two miles down the state road, and met the party. Returning, we occupied a position about midway in the company. The streets were lined with the school children and citizens, flags flying. Altogether it was a most pleasing demonstration of the high esteem and respect in which the President is held by the people spontaneous and with scarcely and preparation as it was. I noticed that quite a river occupied a large part of the state road.

Wednesday, June 5th, 1867

Spent most of the time at the New York store. Opened as a wholesale store today. Saw for the first time "Salt Lake Directory for 1867", in the history of the events occurring in the territory, the author has been pleased in a great many cases to give the Mormons and their leaders such a position as to make them little else than murderers and rogues.

Sunday, June 9th, 1867

Commenced duty as a member of the Tabernacle Choir this morning. Came rather rough to have to sing at first sight, got bravely through it.

Sunday, July 28th, 1867

Bro. Shipp was called to the stand and made some most excellent and spirited remarks upon the word of wisdom and the shrinking propensities of many young men, and the vanity of some of the sisters. A characteristic of this dispensation would be the rapidity with which this work would roll. Pres Jos. Young followed upon the subject of riches, the trading and speculating habits and employment of many of the elders and bishops, felt apprehension lest they should forget God and their religion. In the PM, Pres Jos Young made some remarks upon the subject of sinning unto death. Apostocy and appeals to the High Counsel. The gold mines east excitement has come to an end for the present by the prospectors beigh driven off by the Indians. A man with a common hand mortar could take out 2 to 300 dollars per day. The prevailing feeling among those interested is to go and hold the place by force. Vast numbers of grasshoppers passed over the city of Friday, bound south.

End of Book #2

