Selected Resources Pertaining to St. George, Utah, in Church History Library Catalog

Theses and Dissertations

 Reed Paul Thompson, "Eighty years of music in St. George, Utah, 1861-1941," M.A. thesis, Brigham Young University, 1952 M285 T475e 1952

Journals, Reminiscences, Autobiographies, and Biographies

1. Anna E. Frischknecht, 1951

MS 28447

A life history of Anna E. Frischknecht written by her daughter, A. Elizabeth Peterson, and typed by her son, Wilford Frischknecht. The history describes Frischknecht's youth in Switzerland, her family's conversion to the Church in the 1870s, and migration to southern Utah. She also mentions attending the St. George Temple dedication.

2. Anna L. Ivins Wilson reminiscences, 1967 (Digital)

MS 14575

Account of Wilson's life in St. George, Utah; Colonia Juarez, Mexico; and Salt Lake City, Utah. Concerning life in St. George, Utah, Wilson describes significant buildings and events in the town at the turn of the twentieth century and details her interaction with her grandfather, Israel Ivins, and his polygamous families.

3. Carter family histories, 1994-2001 (Digital)

MS 17154

Brief biographical sketches of Ellen Benbow Carter, Harriet Utley Carter, and Sophronia Turnbow Carter, all wives of William Carter and early settlers of St. George, Utah. Also includes biographical sketches of Mary Ann Rankin Carter and her father, James R. Rankin.

4. Charles L. Walker papers, 1854-1899

MS 1883, MS 494 (Digital)

Contains journals giving accounts of church and family life. Refers to speeches given at Salt Lake City and St. George, activities during the Utah War, plural marriage, settlement of St. George and the building of the St. George Temple, and association with Brigham Young, Erastus Snow, and Wilford Woodruff. Includes original poetry and hymns. Also includes a manuscript newspaper, Verpricula, published in St. George.

5. Clorinda Schlappi biographical file, 1934; 2001

MS 16990

Biographical and autobiographical sketches of Schlappi and her life in St. George, Utah.

6. David Canfield history (written by Preston Hunt), circa 2010

MS 23133

Brief account of David Canfield's life, including information about his wives and children as he lived in Toronto, Canada; Nauvoo, Illinois; Provo, Utah; and southern Utah, particularly St. George and Hamblin. Includes information about his baptism by Parley P. Pratt (1836), immigration to Utah (1850), and the building of Jacob Hamblin's home in Santa Clara, Utah.

7. David H. Cannon diary, 1902 January-June

MS 23527

Account of Cannon's family and church activities in St. George, including service as St. George Temple president.

8. David Milne: early Mormon painter: a photobiography, 1995 MS 14544

Contains biographical information about Milne. Includes a description of Milne's early life in Scotland, experiences as an artist and painter in St. George, Utah; with art work in the St. George Tabernacle and Temple; also work on the Manti Temple and on Salt Lake City structures such as the Salt Lake Tabernacle, Temple, and the Assembly Hall. Also covered are Milne's experiences with plural marriage and information about his family, facsimiles of maps, documents, and artwork. Researched by Ramona Murray and compiled by Sean Paulsen.

9. Edwin G. Woolley biographical materials, undated

MS 11829

File contains a 16-page autobiographical sketch covering Woolley's life to at least July 1898 and a 40-page biographical sketch, by an unidentified author, covering Woolley's life to at least February 1896. The autobiographical sketch includes information about Woolley's early life in Salt Lake City, Utah, his move to St. George, and his church, business, and political activities in both of those cities, as well as Woolley's 1882 interview with David Whitmer. The biographical sketch includes similar information, as well as excerpts from Woolley's journal of an 1869 trip to investigate Indian raids in southern Utah.

10. Emma J. McArthur autobiography, 1954-1970

MS 920

Recounts early childhood memories and church and family activities in St. George, Utah. Includes biographical sketch of her husband, Moroni McArthur.

11. Emma M. Nielson diary, 1887 July-1897 September

MS 4816

Account of Nielson's Church and home activities in St. George and in Ramah, New Mexico. Tells of her feelings toward polygamy and her husband's second wife.

12. Erastus Snow autobiography, 1875

MS 16910

Account of Snow's conversion to the Church in Vermont; numerous missionary travels; experiences in Kirtland, Ohio, Far West, Missouri, Montrose, Iowa, Nauvoo, Illinois, and in Utah; and the opening of the Scandinavian Mission. Includes details of his visit with Joseph Smith in Liberty Jail, describes numerous overland travels, and notes establishment of St. George and other settlements in Washington County. Dictated to his son, Franklin R. Snow.

13. Eva Alger Paxman, My side of life, 1983

MS 22182

Paxman recounts her experiences living in Washington, St. George, and Enterprise, Utah; and Hupton, Nevada.

14. Genevieve C. Richards interview, 1994

MS 22552

A transcript of an interview with Richards about her family.

15. George F. Whitehead autobiography, circa 1933

MS 55

Brief account of Whitehead's activities as a religious and civic leader in St. George, Utah.

16.George T. Cottam journal, 1875-1928

MS 15677

Daily record of activities of St. George, Utah. Includes notes regarding hauling rock for St. George Temple. Also includes biographical sketch of Cottam by Mary Ann Cottam Miller.

17. George W. Fawcett reminiscences, circa 1902

MS 4483

Brief account of travel to Utah in 1850 and activities in Salt Lake City and St. George and expeditions throughout southern Utah.

18.George Pectol diary and Harold Snow collection, 1846-1871

MS 20858

Microfilm of records located in the Huntington Library in California. Includes records by George Pectol about his westward migration to Utah and of Harold Snow in St. George.

19. Hannah G. Perkins diary, 1861 October-December

MS 5205

Record of travel from Salt Lake City to Grafton and then to St. George, Utah, as member of company sent to colonize southern Utah. Includes references to activities of Erastus Snow.

20.**Hans U. Sr. and Hans U. Bryner Jr. biographical sketches, undated** MS 26606

Biographical sketches of Hans U. Bryner, and his son, Hans, regarding their conversion to the church, immigration from Switzerland to Utah in the mid-1850s, and settling in St. George, Utah. The sketches were written by Bryner Jr.'s daughter and granddaughter, Lilly B. Frandsen and Rosella B. Anderson.

21. Harriet Josephine Johnson Pickett biographical sketch, undated MS 12244

Sketch about author's mother-in-law, including information about Harriet's father (Joseph E. Johnson), the family's 1861 journey to Utah, and Harriet's life in St. George as wife of Horatio Pickett.

22. James F. Johnson diary, 1885 August-September; 1887 February-May MS 6098

Account of journey from Tempe, Arizona to St. George, Utah. Describes St. George and meetings with his father, Benjamin F. Johnson, and other family members. Includes later account of journey to St. George.

23. James and Susannah Hammond Deans biographical sketch, undated MS 12246

Sketch about author's great-grandparents, including information about James Deans's early life in Scotland, emigration to Utah and settlement in St. George, Susanna Hammond's family background and life in St. George, and the Deans' call to settle Woodruff, Arizona.

24. John G. McQuarrie reminiscences, undated

MS 5005

Account of events surrounding the Mountain Meadow Massacre, comprised of personal reminiscences and stories told by acquaintances. Includes facts on the Higbee and Haight families, and on the settlements of Cedar City and St. George, Utah. Also includes a sketch of the life of Jenny Haight.

25. John Myers: Blacksmith and pioneer of 1852, 1989

MS 12039

Account of John Myers's life in Lartington, England, and Forfar, Ontario; his LDS conversion (1836); marriage to Sarah Dickson (1837); his experiences in Nauvoo, Illinois, and Kanesville, Iowa; his experiences crossing the plains (1852); his experiences settling in Centerville, Utah (1854-1869), Panaca, Nevada (1869-1870), St. George, Utah (1870-1871), and Panguitch, Utah (1871-1900); and his marriage to Barbara Pace (1873).

26. John Oakley journal, circa 1868-1879 (Digital)

MS 8828

Includes copies of letters Oakley sent to Brigham Young and others reporting conditions in St. George and Kanab, Utah, progress of the Indian missionaries, and his agricultural interests. Family genealogy included.

27. John V. Bailey autobiography, 2002

MS 21806

An account of Bailey's experiences living in Spring City, Utah; service in the New England Mission with his wife in 1961; and experiences living in St. George, Utah, after his move there.

28. Joseph N. Heywood journal, 1872; 1878-1880

MS 3126

Account of activities in St. George, Utah, and experiences in freighting and stock herding. Describes the Arizona settlements.

29. Joseph W. McAllister diary, 1882 May-1884 September (Digital) MS 1988

Account of activities as a schoolteacher in Glendale, Utah and as a temple worker in St. George.

30. Josephine J. Miles journal, 1893-1941 (Digital)

MS 31802

Journal chronicles Miles's church, school, and family activities in St. George, Utah. Miles was a school teacher and also served as St. George Stake Relief Society president. Includes copies of family patriarchal blessings and a biographical sketch of Miles's father, George Jarvis. Includes a transcript of the journal by Carol Miles Vincent. A copy of Josephine J. Miles's newspaper obituary is also included.

31. Josiah Rogerson journal, 1864 May-July (Digital)

MS 13263

Contains an account of an overland freighting journey from Parowan, Utah Territory, to Las Vegas, New Mexico Territory. Details the experiences of Captain John Londer, John Greenhalgh, James and Andre Killian, Willis Webb, and Josiah Rogerson on the journey to Las Vegas and back, traveling in the Santa Clara Valley, along the Virgin and Muddy Rivers, and through Washington, St. George, and the area of the "Beaver Dams" in the extreme northwest corner of present- day Arizona. Includes descriptions of encounters with Indians and the U.S. military, daily camp life, eating habits, and social customs. Also includes references to John D. Lee.

32. LeOra H. Christensen autobiography, 2003, 2009

MS 27228

Christensen's autobiography including information on her family life and childhood in Ivins, Utah, and St. George, Utah, her education at Dixie Junior College, and her marriage to Kay Don Christensen.

33. Lewis Earl Christian, Sandstone, blackrock, and a few other solid matters: the story of my life, 1979-1980 (Digital)

MS 20463

Account of Christian's life, including growing up in St. George, Utah; service in South American Mission (1926-1929) during administration of President K. B.

Reinhold Stoof, with assignments in Argentina; his 1931 marriage to LaRue Leavitt and their family life together; his employment in St. George in building trades and general construction; and his service as bishop of St. George East Ward (1945-1947).

34. Life of John Nelson Lee, 1938

MS 7743

Biographical information dictated by Lee's wife, with supplementary material added by unidentified grandchild. Includes information about couple's life at Panaca, Nevada and Minersville, Utah and their work at St. George Temple.

35. Life sketch of William James Frazier McAllister, circa 1943 MS 24057

Contains sketch of William McAllister's life, including details related to his conversion; his family's journey from Philadelphia to Utah in 1861; settlement in St. George and later Kanab, Utah; mission to the Zuni Indians in New Mexico in 1875; accomplishments as a singer; marriages to his two wives in the St. George Temple; and a talk delivered at his funeral.

36. The life story of Helen Forsha Hafen and her family, 1997 March MS 22602

Autobiographical account of Helen Forsha's early life in St. George, Utah, where, after her mother's death, she was raised as a daughter of David and Bella Morris; marriage to Paul Hafen, 1929; Paul's death from leukemia, 1963, which Helen attributed to fallout from nuclear weapons tests in Nevada; Helen's accomplishments as a professional weaver; and her travels. The history also includes a brief account of her missionary service in Santa Ana and Anaheim, California, 1927-1928; several pictures; and information on her family, including Paul Hafen's siblings; Flora Morris Brooks; members of the Forsha family; and Ann Chatterley Macfarlane, wife of John M. Macfarlane. Helen also tells of delivering to the First Presidency, after David H. Morris's death, affidavits that he had collected regarding the Mountain Meadows Massacre. The history was compiled with the help of Georgene Evans.

37. Lucy O. White autobiography, 1944

MS 31040

White's life story dictated to her daughter-in-law Velma R. White in 1944. White grew up in St. George and Kanab, Utah, and Snowflake, Arizona. Describes her courtship and marriage to Orson Ellsworth, the birth of their four children, Ellsworth's death of typhoid, her sister Margaret's death and White's subsequent marriage to her husband, William White, the birth of their five children, and various activities relating to family life and church callings. Includes a brief history of White's grandparents, William and Mary Ann Jones and Ezra and Elizabeth Oakley. Also includes a history of her parents, Louisa and John Oakley, including their early lives, marriage, and John's service in the British and Arizona Missions.

38. Martha C. Cox autobiography, 1928-1930 (Digital)

MS 1661

Account of Cox's life in Millcreek, Utah; Washington County, Utah; southern Nevada; and the Mormon colonies in Mexico. Includes family history, copies of correspondence, and stories concerning Joseph Smith. Cox writes about her experiences as a teacher, plural wife, and her involvement in temple work and genealogy. Mentions the Utah War, settlement in Santa Clara, Utah, and later in the Muddy Valley, Nevada. Also contains information about Jacob Hamblin and James Cragun's notification of his mission call to southern Utah in 1862, signed by George A. Smith.

39. Mary Ann Carr Gardner biographical sketch, undated

MS 12184

Sketch about author's mother, including information about Mary Ann's life in St. George as wife of Robert Gardner, as well as brief residence at Mt. Trumbull, Arizona, where she was cook for men cutting lumber for St. George Temple.

40. Mary Ann M. Bentley reminiscences, circa 1933

MS 4445

Account of Bentley's family's settlement in St. George, Utah, and her activities there. Includes a historical sketch of her family.

41. Mary E. Lee biography, 1955

MS 26270

Biography titled "An inspired principle and a remarkable lady" written by Gardner regarding Mary E. Lee, a midwife who lived and worked in St. George and Hinckley, Utah.

42. Melissa R. Heyborne autobiographical sketch, circa 1925

MS 10865

Includes information about Heyborne's experiences at San Bernardino, California, Minersville, Utah, Panaca, Nevada, and St. George and Cedar City, Utah. During most of her life she was the wife of John N. Lee.

43. Montrue B. G. Larkin autobiography, circa 2007

MS 24237

Contains journal excerpts and autobiography of Larkin. She discusses her early childhood, marriage to Herman Larkin, birth of her children, death of her husband, marriages of her children, work at Dixie College in St. George, Utah, service in the St. George Chamber of Commerce, children's missionary service, and travels around the world.

44. Nixon family papers, circa 2011

MS 24185

Contains autobiographies of Nixon and her daughter, Elizabeth Foster. Nixon describes the journey west and settling in Salt Lake City, Utah. Foster discusses life in St. George, Utah. Also includes the obituary for Foster's husband, Charles,

and a replica Washington County News newspaper with an article describing the Foster's marriage in 1909.

45. Robert Gardner diaries and reminiscences, 1857-1887 (Digital) MS 1744

Includes account of journey eastward as a handcart missionary, missionary labors in Canada, and stay in Iowa with Joseph E. Johnson prior to his return to Utah in 1858. Includes reminiscences of his birth in Scotland, early life and conversion to the Church in Canada, visit to Nauvoo, Illinois in 1845, emigration and settlement in the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, and later colonization of St. George.

46. Robert Gardner life history and statue dedication, 2008-2009 MS 30311

A history of Gardner's life, entitled "Robert Gardner Jr., Utah Pioneer 1847" compiled from his journal and other writings by one of his descendants, Reed M. Gardner. Includes images and maps. Also includes a pamphlet, "The Robert Gardner Jr. Commemorative Project," featuring photographs and a sculpture of Gardner by Jerry Anderson, and a transcription of remarks made by Jeffrey R. Holland, another descendant of Gardner, at the statue's dedication ceremony in St. George, Utah, March 2009. Gardner settled in the Salt Lake Valley in 1847 and was called on a mission to settle St. George. He surveyed the city, served as a bishop, and was elected mayor.

47. Robinson family reminiscences, 1981-1982

MS 16294

Reminiscences by LaVell and Preston Robinson regarding their parents, Thomas and Alzina Robinson, family experiences, and their personal lives. Accounts include information about life in Paragonah, Enterprise, and St. George, Utah; Alamo and Fallon, Nevada; and El Rio and Ventura, California. Speakers discuss temple work and church activity, farm life, paying tithing in kind, schooling, recreation and social activities, culinary water and electrical systems in Enterprise, and Great Depression.

48. Russell Chandler diary, 1899 January-1903 January

MS 2036

Account of daily activities as a blacksmith and laborer in St. George, Utah.

49. Selina W. Hammond autobiographical sketch, circa 1913-1915 MS 14023

Account of her family's emigration from Herefordshire, England, to Utah, 1853; her brief stay in Union, Utah, and her recollections of the 1858 Move South to Beaver, Utah; and her 1862 marriage to John E. Hammond and their life together in St. George, Utah, and Eagle Valley, Nevada.

50. The singing plumber: Herman James Larkin, 2010

MS 24234

A biography of Herman James Larkin compiled by his daughters, Barbara Shakespeare and Kathrine Neilson. Includes reminiscences of the lives of Larkin, and his wife Montrue Grey Larson. Includes an account of the death of Larkin and his brother in an airplane accident. Larkin lived in St. George, Utah.

51. Thomas J. Jones autobiographical sketch, 1911 MS 16526

Account of his early life in Pittsfield, Illinois, and description of crossing plains to Utah in 1852 with John S. Higbee Company. After reaching Utah, his family settled in Centerville and then Willard. In 1861 he returned to Pittsfield to sell farm he inherited. He returned to Utah with David H. Cannon Company and was called to serve colonizing mission in Washington County, Utah, and Panaca, Nevada. Later he returned to St. George, where he served as first counselor in St. George Temple presidency. He was subsequently called to serve as bishop of Washington Ward. Later he moved to Parowan, where he served as president of Parowan Stake, 1881-1892. In 1889 he was arrested and sentenced to serve a prison term for unlawful cohabitation. He moved his families from Iron County, Utah, to Overton, Nevada, circa 1892, where he served as bishop of Overton Ward, 1894-1901, and was employed as postmaster.

52. Willard Snow autobiographical sketch, 1918-1919

MS 13970

Account of his experiences during his early life in St. George, Utah, where his father, Erastus Snow, presided over the Cotton Mission. Includes an account of his father's call, his family's journey to Utah's Dixie, his encounters with local Indians, and his recollections of hauling lumber for the mills and driving a carriage for church leaders who visited St. George during the winters.

53. William Lang autobiography and diaries, 1877-1896 (Digital) MS 4544

Account of Lang's early life in Devonshire, England, his conversion, immigration and eventual settlement in St. George, Utah, plural marriages and family life, farming and wine making, church and civic activities, and his health problems.

54. William Nelson diary, 1877 February-1900 October MS 1879

Account of activities, including work as shoemaker, in St. George, Utah. Includes family genealogy.

Correspondence

1. David H. Cannon letter, St. George, Utah to Wilford Woodruff, 1877 September 29 (Digital)

MS 10086

Cannon writes to Woodruff about the reaction in St. George to Brigham Young's death and refers to George A. Smith's comment about Brigham Young's anxiety to finish the St. George Temple.

2. David Milne letter, St. George, Utah to John Steele, 1893 July 7

MS 24771

Milne comments about 4th of July celebrations in St. George and also refers to family difficulties.

3. Eliza R. Snow letter, Salt Lake City, Utah, to Augusta Jackson, 1868 December 31

MS 10366

Letter to the secretary of St. George Relief Society regarding the society's organization in St. George, purpose of Relief Society, and duties of its officers.

4. Erastus Snow letter, St. George, Utah, 1871 March 4

MS 5944

Circular letter to church members in St. George and surrounding settlements pertaining to the production of cotton in the area.

5. James G. Bleak letter, St. George, Utah, to Jesse James Bleak, Eureka, Utah, 1910 April 21 (Digital)

MS 13354

A letter sent to Bleak's son containing family news. Includes a paragraph about the construction and cost of the St. George Stake Academy.

6. Zora S. Jarvis letter, St. George, Utah to the Church Historian, Salt Lake City, Utah, 1954 May 15

MS 1021

Contains information concerning her grandfather George A. Smith and the naming of St. George, Utah.

Other Manuscript Collections

1. Abraham A. Kimball papers, 1878-1938 (Digital)

MS 608

Account of missionary labors in Great Britain, settlement in Kanosh, Utah, business and church activities there, relations with the Indians, and imprisonment for polygamy. Reminiscences written by Adlia Wilcox Kimball describes life in the Kimball family, experiences in Fillmore, Utah, and Indian difficulties. Also recounts journey to the Muddy Mission with her son-in-law, Abraham A. Kimball. Contains family record book of the wives and children of Kimball. Includes record of temple work completed at the St. George Temple.

2. Alden A. M. Jackson papers, 1873-1876

MS 8471

Includes correspondence with Henry Schultz, principal of the St. George Normal School, and correspondence with Erastus Snow and others who were involved with the school.

3. Annals of the Southern Utah Mission, circa 1903-1906 (Digital) MS 318

Annals record settlement and development of southern Utah and surrounding areas. Includes copies of communications of Brigham Young, Erastus Snow, George A. Smith, Jacob Hamblin and others, charters and addresses, minutes, and journal entries pertaining to Indian relations, united orders, cooperatives and associations, the St. George Temple, and the St. George Stake. James G. Bleak sent the annals in increments to the Historian's Office beginning in 1903.

4. Daughters of Utah Pioneers collection, 1826-1941

MS 9330

Contains collected documents pertaining to St. George and its early residents. Includes a great number of certificates and invitations relating to church and social events in the community. Includes materials pertaining to Ann P. Jarvis, George Woodward, Samuel Miles, Charles L. Walker, Ann Quayle Cannon, and the Canaan Cooperative Stock Company.

5. Dixie College papers, 1862-1932

MS 8547

Contains president's report, Dixie High School court minutes, employees and teachers contracts, St. George, Utah, drama, statistical report of teacher accomplishments, president's reports to LDS Commission of Education, correspondence, faculty roll, tuition accounts, and account books.

6. Erastus B. Snow papers, 1848-1915

MS 4013

Includes diaries recording mission to the Indians in Arizona and New Mexico in 1878; mission to England, 1879-1880; and mission to Mexico in 1887-1888. Also includes notebooks and correspondence pertaining to his family and church activities in St. George, Utah; and financial papers of the Snow Furniture Company. Family papers include letters from Erastus Snow to his wife Artimesia, 1848-1869.

7. James G. Bleak collection, 1866-1904

MS 5730

Contains diaries of Bleak's activities in St. George, Utah as recorder for the St. George Temple and the city, and his ecclesiastical and business dealings. Includes writings on the history of southern Utah. Also contains papers, many of which are primary source documents gathered by Bleak, concerning the history of southern Utah including writings and materials concerning the history of the United Order in Orderville, Utah.

8. James G. Bleak papers, 1857-1911

MS 8472

Contains a few of Bleak's personal papers, consisting of letters and certificates, and collected documents relating to the history of the southern Utah area. Includes papers pertaining to the St. George Temple, the St. George Stake, and

Zion's Cooperative Rio Virgin Manufacturing Company. Of note are letters from Erastus Snow and Anthony W. Ivins.

9. James G. Bleak papers, 1868-1888 (Digital)

MS 6625

Contains records Bleak kept for the Cotton Mission presidency including an account of meetings held with members of the church in settlements in and around St. George, Utah during a series of food and cotton producing experiments from February to September of 1868. Also includes a report of Captain Cameron's Company of the Nauvoo Legion, map of canals on the Rio Virgin River, and historical notations pertaining to southern Utah.

10. Kenneth B. Moss collection, 1865-1961

MS 34276

Collected information about the history of education in St. George, Utah, and Moss's second great-grandfather, John D. T. McAllister. Includes letters McAllister wrote to David H. Cannon while McAllister was serving in the Manti Temple; letters from Wilford Woodruff; papers of John T. Woodbury; and papers related to the courthouse in Washington County, Utah. Also includes typescript copies of records and other documents related to schooling in St. George that were compiled for a thesis by an unknown author in 1961.

11. Mabel Jarvis poems and other writings, undated

MS 8653

Poems concerning individuals in the St. George, Utah, area.

12. Record of the proceedings at the dedication of St. George Temple, 1877

MS 25760

Report of the St. George Temple dedication services of 1 January 1877, including dedicatory prayers by Wilford Woodruff, Erastus Snow, and Brigham Young Jr., and remarks by Brigham Young. Copy from Wilford Woodruff's journal made by James G. Bleak.

13. St. George Tabernacle capstone time capsule and contents, 1871 MS 30410

Records and their container removed near the capstone of the St. George Tabernacle in 2016 during a seismic upgrade. The records were created by Charles Lowell Walker and placed in the tower in December of 1871. Walker worked as a stone mason on the tabernacle. Records consist of Walker's poetry, including his "Song on dedication of St. George Temple site," his testament, and his photograph. Includes images taken by workmen on 20 December 2016, depicting area where the capsule was found and the workmen who uncovered it.

14. St. George Temple poetry and letter, 1876, 2023

CR 343 29

Poems and a letter found in a time capsule in the St. George Temple during renovation in March of 2020. The poems are written by Joseph Longking Townsend, George Washington Gill Averett, and Francis Adelbert Webb, and the letter is written by Jacob Rolfsen. Also includes research done by Emily Utt. Research includes provenance of the collection, photographs of the poems and letter, and background information on the authors. Utt's research is only available in electronic format.

15. The spy in Mormon Dixie, circa 1907

MS 5948

Observations pertaining to Rose Glenn Webster's visit to St. George and surrounding areas in southern Utah and Nevada. Critical of the church and polygamy.

16. Victoria J. Jarvis Miles, history of education in St. George, 1923 MS 2203

Paper read at a meeting of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, St. George Chapter.

17. Young Mens Historical Club minute book, 1873-1875

MS 2859

Minutes of meetings, constitution, and by-laws for the club, which met for the purpose of recitation and debate in St. George, Utah.

Ward and Stake Records

1. A history of the St. George Cannery 1981-2011, 1979-2011

LR 518557 21

A history of the operation of the St. George Cannery. Also contains documents related to the construction of the cannery from 1979-1980.

2. St. George East Ward circular letter, 1945 July 12

LR 7760 21

Announcement from ward Mutual Improvement Association to ward members in St. George, Utah, regarding stake Pioneer Day celebration and planned program.

3. St. George Stake Academy records, 1888-1893

LR 4221 21

Administration records of the St. George Academy, 1888-1893. Contains principal reports, faculty meeting minutes, planning books, record books, and enrollment records.

4. St. George Stake board of education minutes, 1888-1898

LR 7836 39

Volume begins with copy of First Presidency letter of 8 June 1888 instructing that each stake establish a board of education to "promote the interests of education in the stake." Minutes follow, beginning with 16 July 1888 meeting,

when the board determined to establish a St. George Stake Academy. Meetings thereafter dealt with the governance of the academy. Loose in the volume are copies/drafts of letters sent to the Church Board of Education.

5. St. George Stake home missionary appointment record, 1901-1927 LR 7836 41

Volumes list names of missionaries and dates and places they were assigned to speak.

6. St. George Utah Stake Melchizedek Priesthood minutes and records, 1863-1973

LR 7836 13

Minutes and genealogical records of the St. George Utah Stake priesthood quorums.

7. St. George Utah East Stake annual historical reports, 1978-1989, 1991-2020, 2022

LR 77593

Annual compilations submitted by unit. 2010 history includes "Fifty years of the St. George East LDS Stake, 1961-2011."

8. St. George 1st Ward YMMIA and YWMIA records, 1959-1962 LR 16148 21

Includes minutes, attendance records, annual reports, and other material relating to the activities of the organization.

9. St. George 3rd Ward histories of St. George 3rd Ward high priests, 1992

LR 16146 21

Includes thirty-nine autobiographical sketches gathered under the direction of the high priests group leadership. The sketches are arranged alphabetically and contain comments on group members' early life experiences, missions, family life, and church service.

10. St. George 9th Ward general minutes, 1976-1977

LR 7757 22

Record of sacrament and priesthood meetings for 1976 and of a sacrament meeting, 5 June 1977.

11. Sisters of Faith, 1867-2007, a Patchwork of History: stake and ward Relief Society presidencies of the St. George/St. George Utah Stake, circa 2007

LR 7836 64

A spiral-bound printed work containing historical information on the stake Relief Society presidencies and respective ward and branch Relief Society presidencies, 1867-2007. Includes some photographs of members of the presidencies. Also

contains correspondence. The volume was compiled and published by Linda Ann Dahl.

12. Washington Ward Primary scrapbook, 1957-1963 (Digital)

LR 9947 25

Scrapbook of the Washington Ward Primary from 1957-1963. Includes photographs, certificates, programs, and brief historical entries.

13. Washington Ward Relief Society minutes and records, 1869-1973 (Digital)

LR 9947 14

Financial Records

1. Canaan Cooperative Stock Company minutes, 1875-1883

LR 7836 37

Records and minutes of the meetings and proceedings of the Canaan Cooperative Stock Company board of directors.

2. St. George Cooperative Mercantile Institution inventory

LR 7836 56

Contains annual statements of the cooperative and balances taken from store ledgers.

3. St. George Stake Board of Trade minute book, 1879-1881

LR 7836 51

Minutes of meetings to organize a successor organization to the United Order movement to regulate merchandising in the stake. Contains board of director meeting minutes, draft copy of the organization's constitution, attendance rolls, and a cash ledger.

4. St. George United Order record books, 1870-1903 (Digital)

LR 7836 35

Contains financial records of the St. George United Order and its various departments. Includes ledgers, inventories, account books, record of re-baptisms into the order, stockholder's ledgers, association records, and other materials. Contains secretary's ledgers, Rio Virgin Manufacturing and Canal Company records, Canaan Cooperative Stock Company accounts, and Santa Clara, Price, Virgin Field, and Cooper Bottom Department ledgers. The Mount Trumbull Lumber Department records were cataloged separately. The bulk of the collection spans 1874-1885.

5. Seep Ditch balance book, 1886 December-1887 January

MS 2153

Balance of accounts of shareholders for the irrigation ditch in St. George, Utah. Accounts were recorded by James G. Bleak. Ditch management was associated with the Rio Virgin Canal Company. Most of the volume is blank.

6. Southern Utah Mercantile Institution capital stock ledger, 1869-1872 LR 7836 57

Ledger lists names of shareholders and number of shares each held, as well as accounts and transactions with each shareholder. Assets and capital stock of Southern Utah Mercantile were subsequently combined to form St. George Cooperative Mercantile Institution.

7. United Order reports, 1874

CR 100 427

Information collected in the Historian's Office about united orders in American Fork, Bountiful, Cedar City, Ephraim, Fairview, Fountain Green, Kanarraville, Lehi, Manti, Meadow, Moroni, Mt. Pleasant, Paragonah, Payson, Pleasant Grove, Provo, Spanish Fork, Spring City, Springville, St. George, Summit, and the First, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, and Twentieth wards in Salt Lake City. Includes letters addressed to Brigham Young, George A. Smith, Orson Pratt, and Edward Hunter.

8. West Point Copper Mining Company papers, 1902-1903

MS 5902 2

Company located in St. George, Utah. Includes circular letter announcing a price levy, letter to E. H. Snow, secretary of the company, and stock certificates.

Photographs

1. Baptism of Shivwits Indians, 1875 March 19 (Digital)

PH 1401

View of Daniel D. McArthur baptizing Shivwits Indians in stream near St. George, Utah. Augustus P. Hardy is shown standing on the bank.

2. Dixie College, 1968

PH 312

Views of campus in St. George, Utah, and 1968 homecoming planning committee.

3. Oliver R. Stratton photographs, 1936 (Digital)

PH 11417

Photographs taken by Stratton, an amateur photographer, during the 75th anniversary celebration of the founding of St. George, Utah. Includes photographs of parade floats and entries, the rodeo, and other celebration activities.

4. Photographs of St. George Utah, circa 1885-1895 (Digital)

PH 11028

Two photographs of St. George, Utah: one is an elevated view of the eastern part of St. George with the Saint George Temple in the distance, the other is a view of St. George taken from the top of the Saint George Temple looking northwest. Photographer is unknown.

5. St. George photograph collection, 1874-circa 1900

PH 2858

Collection includes panoramic view of temple and St. George, Utah (circa 1890s to early 1900s), St. George Temple stone cutters at work (1874), St. George Temple wagon and female temple workers (circa 1890s), and St. George 3rd Ward school (1885); Washington Cotton Mill workers (circa 1880s), experimental farm near St. George and first house built in Hurricane, Utah (circa late 1910s); portrait of unidentified group that includes Anthony W. Ivins (circa 1880); and Manti Temple home (former home of John D. T. McAllister, circa 1890).

6. St. George pioneer centennial photographs, 1947

PH 11899

Photographs taken of various assembled groups during the 1947 pioneer centennial celebration. Also includes images of downtown St. George, including a view of the St. George Temple and an image looking down Tabernacle Street toward the St. George Tabernacle. There are also photos of other buildings in St. George, and an image of an unidentified women's choir. Some photographs were taken by R. D. Adams.

7. St. George pioneer day celebration, 1891 July 24 (Digital)

PH 2423

View of uniformed marching band and townspeople with United States flags and banners gathered on street in St. George, Utah. Photograph attributed to James J. Booth.

8. St. George Temple, circa 1877 (Digital)

PH 8601

Early panoramic photograph of the St. George Temple.

9. St. George Temple, circa 1888 (Digital)

PH 3622

View of north side of temple and annex. Original photograph mount is included

10. St. George 3rd Ward Deseret Sunday School Union, circa 1890 PH 7648

View of Sunday School members, including children, posed in front of meetinghouse in St. George, Utah.

11. Theater company in St. George, Utah, circa 1890

PH 413

View of the company in front of a drugstore.

12. William Carter plowing at home, St. George, 1893 (Digital)

PH 4

William Carter, who participated in the first plowing in Utah in 1847, is shown plowing with his family looking on.

Other Audio-Visual Material

1. David O. McKay address: St. George, Utah, 1955 April 17 (Digital)
AV 91

Audio recording of an address by McKay delivered in the St. George Tabernacle.

2. Dedication of Brigham Young winter home and Jacob Hamblin home: St. George, Utah, 1976 May 29

AV 356

Audio recording of the Young and the Hamblin home dedication. Includes address and dedicatory prayers by L. Tom Perry.

3. Dedication of St. George 5th and 6th ward meetinghouse: St. George, Utah, 1955 April 17

AV 4447

Audio recording of address and dedicatory prayer by David O. McKay.

4. John H. Schmutz interview, St. George, Utah, 1973 (Digital) OH 42

Account of his activities in St. George, Utah, and experiences from his mission to Switzerland, 1913-1914. Interviewed by Pearl Ghormley.