



# OBITUARY

## FRANCIS LAWRENCE DAGGETT

January 14, 1845 - October 4, 1919

Francis L Daggett passed peacefully away last Saturday, Oct 4, 1919, at 11 am after being confined to his bed five days with dysentery. He had been gradually failing for some time, but managed to get about, his last appearance on the street being on the Monday forenoon preceding his death.

Francis L Daggett was born January 24, 1845 at New Haven Mass., son of Mr and Mrs Isaac Daggett. He came of a seafaring family, his father being captain of a whaling vessel. Francis also followed the sea until he was 21 years old, when he arrived at California on a whaling vessel and decided to quit the sea. After being in California some time he went to Nevada and went into the sheep business with a man named Bateman. They first arrived in Utah with their sheep in 1877, their range being on the Santa Clara creek in the neighborhood of Congers farm and from there into Bull Valley.

He sold out his sheep on being appointed probate judge by President Grover Cleveland and Settled in St George. During the trying times of his office as probate judge, his conduct won for him the utmost respect and esteem of the people of Dixie. And this esteem was not lessened by his subsequent terms of office as county clerk and recorder, county attorney, mayor of the city, county commissioner, school trustee, and justice of the peace. He was United States commissioner for many years and held the office at the time of his death as well as that of justice of the peace for the precinct and city. He was a staunch Democrat and one that his party could depend on at all times.

During his later years he devoted considerable time in his garden of which he was justly proud.

He left no known relatives. His mother died a few years ago at Oakland California, and an aunt died at the same place about two years ago. He may have some relatives living at Martha's Vineyard or Haven Mass. He had been married but left no children.

Francis L Daggett was an upright and honorable man, true to his friends, faithful to his duties, quiet and unassuming, a man who made many friends who bear a tribute his high character.

Funeral services were held in the tabernacle Sunday afternoon, Pres. Thomas P Cottam conducting. The musical numbers were a solo by Mrs W R Pike, "O Death where is thy sting", solo by Mona Woodbury, "Calvary", and a solo by Mrs Karl N Snow "Resignation". Prayer was offered by Elder Brigham Jarvis and benediction by Elder Chase Higgins. The speakers were Pres David H Cannon, Elder George Brooks, Bishop James McArthur, and Pres Thomas P Cottam, each of whom paid high tribute to the integrity and sterling good qualities of the departed friend. The casket was covered with beautiful roses, tributes from many friends. Interment was made in the city cemetery.