

Prominent St. Louis Man Dies

Wednesday morning at the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. E. P. LeCompte, Stillman Palmer Taft, a cousin of ex-President Wm. H. Taft, died after a lingering illness with tuberculosis.

Mr. Taft was born in Vermont in 1843. He came to Utah in 1871, and in 1872 became a member of Mount Moriah lodge, F. & A. M., of Salt Lake City. In 1874 he was married to Miss Nellie Wells, sister of Mrs. E. P. LeCompte, at St. Mark's Cathedral. In 1878, he and his wife moved to St. Louis where he entered the railway mail service. For the past fifteen years he was superintendent of the seventh division, railway mail service, having the honor of holding this position longer than any of his predecessors. In April, this year, he was granted a sick leave of absence for six months. He came to Park City in hopes that the high altitude would prove beneficial. The disease, with which he was suffering had too strong a hold upon him, and he gradually got worse until death relieved his sufferings.

Deceased is survived by a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Lucile Rockwell, who, with her husband, will arrive in Salt Lake to-day from Cleveland, Ohio, to attend the funeral. Those who knew Mr. Taft, speak of him in the highest terms, and sympathy is extended the wife and daughter and other relatives in their bereavement.

Funeral services will be held at Masonic Hall, this city, under the auspices of Uintah Lodge, No. 7, F & A. M. this Saturday, afternoon at 1:30. Rev. Henriques will officiate. The remains will be taken to Salt Lake on the afternoon train for interment.