

Territory of Utah } Probate Court
County of Salt Lake } Hon Elias Smith
Judge

Sarah Ann McLaren } Plaintiff
vs
James S McLaren } Defendant

The plaintiff in this case, Sarah Ann McLaren formerly Atkins, a resident of Salt Lake City in said county complains of the defendant, James S McLaren, and for cause she saith unto the court, that she is the lawful wife of the said defendant to whom she was married on the 26th day of September 1869 in the city of Brooklyn, state of New York, that the fruit of her marriage with the said defendant are two children, Sarah Ann and Eliza McLaren aged respectively twenty two and six months; that she has ever been to her said husband, the said defendant a faithful and dutiful wife and has even sought to make him comfortable and happy, but so it is that on consequence of incompatibility of temper and the cross and unkind treatment which the said defendant has extended to her, the said plaintiff, from time to time, she has never lived happily with her said husband as his wife, and especially during the last twelve months the conduct of the said defendant towards the plaintiff has been of that cruel and harsh character, that she cannot longer live with him in the marital relations in peace and union, and her welfare and happiness require that she should be separated from him, which she prays may be done by a decree of the said court, and that the custody and control of her said infant children may be given to her, and that such relief may be extended to her, and provision made for her support and the support and maintenance of her said children, as justice and equity may demand on the determination of the case by the court.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me by the said
Sarah Ann McLaren, the
25th of May 1872
Elias Smith
Judge of said county

Sarah Ann
McLaren