

“Beautiful Boquet of Flowers,” (daguerreotype by Johnson) 29 April 1851

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BEAUTIFUL BOQUET OF FLOWERS.—Mr. T. S. Mitchel, who keeps the excellent boot and shoe store on J street, made us a present to-day of one of the largest and most gorgeous boquets of flowers that we ever saw in any country. We took it immediately up to Mr. Johnson’s Daguerrean Rooms, immediately over his store, and had a daguerreotype taken of it. A gentleman who saw the boquet has had one taken also, and Mr. Johnson has more copies, if anybody desires to send one home to the friends in the States. The taste Mr. Mitchel has displayed in ornamenting a magnificent store, explains the exquisite beauty of the boquet.

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EDITOR’S NOTES:

Additional information regarding Johnson is found in Peter E. Palmquist and Thomas R. Kailbourn, *Pioneer Photographers of the Far West: A Biographical Dictionary, 1840-1865* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2000): 327–30.

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