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our proof.

your statement.

that Christ did more in the 40 days He was here for the spread of the gospel

than he did in his whole ministry or

the eastern continent. You can't prove

You say that the real writer of the

Book of Mormon was Solomon Spauld-ing, and that Sidney Rigdon and Joseph

Smith together got up the story as it is

A SLANDERING MINISTER ANSWERED

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Editor Deseret News.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 24 .- With this I am sending you two articles, published in a Swedish paper nara, written by Rev. H. Hultman of Helena, Mont., who once labored as a reverend here in Minneapolis. He has another article dated March 10 of which I was able to procure only one copy and that at present is loaned to another publishing company.

Issing company. I have tried to get the Swedish paper here to publish our side of the question but with little prospect of success. In fact the editor said today: "If you are right, we are wrong and we don't want tight, we are wrong and we don't want

to prove you right." I wrote a personal letter to Mr. Hult-man. Copy of which I enclose to you. In a note of reply he asked for that Book of Mormon and said he hoped to have time to reply soon. The book was sent to him and also another briefer letter. The letter enclosed is in an-swer to only the first article.

Yours very respectfully, CHARLES BROADBENT. 111 East Twenty-sixth street.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 25, 1999. Rev. H. Hultman, Helena, Mont. Dear Sir-Two articles have recently

appeared in one of the Swedish pub-lications of Minneapolis, under your

lications of Minneapolis, under your name, in which you tell your redders that what you there say may be de-pended upon as truth. Truth is mighty and will prevail; no two truths ever closh: truth comes from God our eternal Father, who knows the intent of your heart and of mine, and will judge us accordingly. I do not know the full intent of your heart when you wrote these articles on the subject of the Latter-day Saints, or Mormons, as you term that people, and consequently do not judge you, for consequently do not judge you, for Jesus says 'Judge not, for with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged, and with what measure you mete it ed, and with what measure you meet it shall be measured to you again." So I would like to believe that you did it with all good purpose of heart, that I might say "Father forgive him, he knows not what he does." But you knows not what he does." But you claim to know what you were doing and if your articles portialy the extent of your knowledge on this subject you are woefully ignorant and sadly in need of information, and this I say with all good feeling toward you; but if, afte. good iteming toward you, she it, after reading the following you still main-tain that you are learned, then I must remind you that one of the Ten Com-mandments when stated in fawest words says, "Thou shalt not lie."

You begin by giving the story of Joseph Smith and the finding of the plates almost as he gives it himself— in fact you claim to be quoting from him. You get along fairly well until you speak of the translation of the writings upon the plates, when you tall your leaders that people other than oseph Smith were not allowed to sea these plates. However, later on you say that three others bear testimony that they, too, saw and handled these plates. You forgot (?) to tell them that there were 11 who bear testimony to the world that they saw these very plates; and you forgot (?) further to tell them that not one of these 11 ever denied this testimony, though sev-

story suited you better and was easy to get at so you took it. You say that Joseph Smith was accused of many crimes in Missouri and elsewhere, and that some even of the Church members turned against him and in this you speak the truth; but so was Christ accused of many crimes and

so did some (even an apostle) turn against Him. They both were unjustly put to death—the One followed by the cry of "Crucify Him, crucify Him; let His blood be upon us and our chl.dren," and the other by, "If the law can't reach him powder and ball shall." Neither of them had lawful testimony brought against him, but both died— You imply that we clain

One for the redemption of man and the other for the testimony of Jesus. You say that after all the accusations which were brought against Juseph Sunith in Missouri, still, when he weat to Nauvoo he was given a large tract of land for the purpose of getting pro-ple to settle there that the valuation of adjoining property might be em-hanced. My, but you reason well (?) It is a wonder you did not take to the law instead of to the gospel to make work where

Smith together got up the story as it is, using Spaulding's story as the basis of the plot. Really, my friend, you belong back in "the dark ages." Joseph Smith did not meet Sidney Rig-don until after the Book of Mormon was published in 1830. And beside this, your living. Then you speak of "Smith" selling this land in lots at a high price and thus gaining a fortune. But in this your dispute is with your own cult, for do you know that the old Spaulding most of you wont give him credit for manuscript is now in Oberlin coilege and

Elders W. G. Bywater and J. K. Melbos then sang a duct. The other speak ers and their themes were Elder J. W W. G. Bywater on the "Apostacy and Restoration," and President Sylvesier Q. Cannon then closed with a few words of instruction to the swints of instruction to the saints upon the duty of training their children in

lives of purity. The evening meeting was held in the Concerthuis in order to accommodate the large crowd. Elder B. Tiemeisma of Leenwarden was the first spaker, who dwelt upon the message of Mor-monism and bore a powerful testimony to the truthfulness of the gospel. A duct was then rendered by Elders W. G. Bywater and J. K. Melbos. Breakert Graman thea spoke of the

President Cannon then spoke of the purity and character of the Mormon people and of their mission to publish the message of peace in all the world. All three meetings were well attend-ed and the spirit of the Lord was present in rich abundance. All enjoyed a spiritual feast and no doubt the conference will result in much good. eral new addresses were received. About 50 strangers attended the meetings.

Monday, March 29, a priesthood meetings. ing was held and the elders reported everything progressing nicely in their different fields. President S. Q. Can-non gave the elders some good instruc-tions; and urged them to work morcornestly to make this message known to all people. W. G. BYWATER.

CONFERENCE AT HULAIA, S. I

Hulaia, Sandwich Islands, March 21 -The semi annual conference of this island that is commonly known as the "Garden Island" of the group, convened at this branch yesterday morn-ing at 10 o'clock, Elders J. W. Stod-dard and J. W. Johns and myself in charge. The Primaries held the open-

charge. The Primaries held the open-ing meeting. After the opening exercises and the address of welcome, the time was profitably occupied by the various Primaries in reciting the excellent lessons which were prepared for this oc-casion, and in telling of the great mission of the Primary organization among the many little children of the Church, both at Zion and in the differ-

ent parts of the world. At 12 o'clock the Relief Societies, of which there were seven represented,

culties over the terms of the lease, which was only settled through the diligence and tact of President Penrose and his ability to cope with the schemes of unprincipled lawyers. Our next diffunprincipled lawyers. Our next diff-culty was more money; so President Penrose was again appealed to for aid, and he immediately sent the amount asked for--£15-and the building was completed, and on the 28th of March 1909, President Penrose came over to the evening services, accompanied by his wife and gave us some very valuable wife, and gave us some very valuable instructions. Fresident Penrose also dedicated the building to the Lord for a place of worship. There were pres-ent at the evening meeting 225 saints and strangers and many turned away, for lack of room. There were also present Conference President J. C. Lar-

sen, Jr., and 22 traveling elders. All the work of moving and rebuild-ing the house was done by the elders of the conference, each helping whenever called on, and to whom is due much credit, especially to Elders Frank B. Meads, William Glenn and C. D. Spence, who worked on it from start to finish. Elder Meads, being a builder by trade, has had charge of the construction work.

struction work. Not counting anything for labor, the building has cost as it stands about £110; it is nicely painted both out and inside, is lighted with gas, and con-tains a hot water heating plant. It is covered with corrugated iron and lined with matched lumber; the body of the hull is 2422 feet, the stars \$294 of the hall is 24x32 feet, the stage 8x24 feet, and back of the stage are two nice class rooms, each 10x12 feet. To see the elders carrying lumber and other material through the streets caused much comment, and I believe has done much good by creating a favorable impression. Builders were very good to us by loaning us scaffolding timber and tools and some of the neighbors did all they could to help us. Since the hall was opened we have had a great many strangers come to our great many strangers come to our meetings, which pays us for all our trouble. JOHN C. LARSEN, JR., Conference President.

BAPTISMS IN GREAT BRITAIN

On April 3 a baptismal service was held at "Deseret." South Tottenham, London, when two converts were bap-tized by Elder Owen F. Beal. A similar service was held at the same place on the 13th inst., when another convert was initiated into the fold of Christ. The ordinance of baptism was admin-istered by President Alvin E. Jordan. A baptismal service was held on the vening of the 6th inst., at Livingstone Street Baths, Birkenhead (Liverpoo onference), when two converts were led into the waters of baptism by El-der J. Y. Card. Appropriate remarks were made by President E. H. Williams to about 25 saints and friends who had gathered to witness the sacred ordinance.

On Thursday evening, April 8, 1909, a paptismal service was held in Ipswich Norwich conference), at the home of Sister Carsey. Eiders D. R. Alired and A. C. McCombs each spoke on the sub-ject and sucredness of the ordinance of baptism. Two converts were then bap tized in the river Gipping, Elder T Toolson officiating. Vern Confirma tions took place immediately after. On April 8, 1909, in the Carron river near Falkirk (Scottish conference), three souls were added to the Church by baptism, Elder W. W. Sagers officiating, They were confirmed at the water's edge. A baptismal service was held in the

saint's meeting room, Donegal street, Belfast (Irish conference), April 6, 1909. After singing and prayer, Elder Albert Black spoke on the ordinance of bap-tism as taught by our Savior and His postles. Two candidates were baptized by President T. J. Bennett. On April 12 a similar service was also held at the same place. After praver, President T. J. Bennett spoke on baptism and requirements after its acceptance; he also spoke on the baptism of the after which four souls were baptized by Elders Victor O. Jacksor and Eugene Pickett. Three of them were from Londonderry and one from Carmoney.-Millennial Star, April 15,

COPENHAGEN CONFERENCE.

Copenhagen, Denmark, April 2 .- The Copenhagen semi-annual conference ook place at the mission headquarters,

Tuesday evening the Mutuals held their conference at which an excellent program was carried out. Wednesday evening President Jenson delivered a very interesting lecture on his trip around the world to a large sudhence of interested lighters audience of interested listeners.

A very successful social, under the auspices of the Relief society, was held auspices of the relief society, was held Thursday evening. The program con-sisted of songs, recitations and other pleasing features. Reireanments were served during the evening and a very enjoyable time was had by all present. On Friday evening, March 26, a con cert was given by the local choir and was a grand success in every way. About 600 people were present and all reported well satisfied with the pro-gram which consisted of solos, duets. quartets, recitations and musical numquarters, recitations and musical num-bers. The choir, an organization of 54 members, is doing a grand work in the spreading of the gospel. Many strangers come to our meetings to hear the numbers rendered by them. L. M. Sorensen conducted the singing states musical and the singing

of the choir at all the conference meet-ings and Miss Martha Nilsen played the accompaniments FRED JORGENSEN, Conference Secretary.

LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

On Friday April 16, the elders of this conference arrived in Los Angeles from their various fields of labor, for from their various fields of labor, for the regular semi-annual conference which was held the following Sunday, April 18. The regular work here was suspended and most of the elders went to Ocean Park and enjoyed a good plunge in the surf. Saturday morn-ing the 17th 'priesthood meeting con-vened at the little church at 425 West Tenth street, with all the elders pre-sent, numbering 19 including Presi-dent Jos. E. Robinson, Counselors H. A. Lorbeer and E. J. Weaver of the Los Angeles branch presidency, vere also present. President Robinson pre-sided, and after the opening songs and prayer, he made a few prelimin-ary remarks and then called on the elders to report their labors for the last six months. Each one in turn removed when the surf. elders to report their labors for the last six months. Each one in turn responded, giving their reports, and bore earnest testimonies, and an ex-cellent spirit was manifested. They expressed themselves as encouraged with their labors and it was evident that they had the spirit of their work. Several of the elders of an to come in-to the field until December and Jan-uary so that the work has been new to them yet they have taken hold with willing hearts and have felt blessed in their labors. Four elders have been laboring in Orange county with Santa Ana as their center until a few weeks ago when they were sent to Pomona. The four that have been stationed at San Bernardino have lato Pomona. The four that have been stationed at San Bernardino have la-bored mostly in the adjoining towns since the first of the year until the latter part of March when they too, went into Pomona, so since that time, that city has been tracted by the eight elders. Country work has also been operated from San Diego, and since January, considerable of that line of labor has been done in this confer-ence. Brothers Lorbeer and Weaver also spoke and said that they were very pleased with its condition. After the reports were given President Rob-

the reports were given President Rob-inson addressed the elders. Elder George A. Johnson of Oakley, Summit Co., Utah, was released, hay-Summit Co., Utah, was released, hav-ing filled his mission honorably. El-ders Leroy M. Morris and Alvin Ked-dington were transferred to the San Francisco conference. The other as-signments were as follows: For Los Angeles conference, President, Eph-raim Nelson, John A. Judd, Jos. H. Kirkham, R. F. Burton and Alpheus M. Bingham, for San Diego: Wilbur M. Bingham; For San Diego; Wilbur Sowards and Seymour Oliphant; for Santa Ana; Jos. W. Vickers, Henry A. Brown, Andrew W. Nelson and Don Carlos Van Dyke; and for Pomona: Chas Y. Ashcraft, Elmer E. Kearns, Benloman Gibbons, and Len

O. Bird. Sunday morning, the 18th, Sunday school conference convened at 9 o'clock, and held ses-sion for one hour. At 10 o'clock, the semi-annual conference commenced. Another session was held at 2 in the afternoon and another at seven in the evening. The speakers in the forenoon were Prest, Jos, E. Robinson and Elder John A. Judd; in the afternoon, Elders R. F. Burton, Jos, W. Vickers, Alvin Keddington and Leroy M. Morris; and in the evening, Elders Geo. A. Johnson, Ephraim Nelson and Prest, Jos, E. Robinson. In the afternoon Prest Robinson. ommenced. Another session was held

MILD LAXATIVE FOR BABY FREE

The child of today is the parent of the future, and whether it grows up healthy and strong, or puny and weak, depends upon the intelligence of its parents, for most children are born into the world healthy, but thousands become futu e weaklings between birth and the age of ten, when the parents are still in greatest control. The prime cause of trouble is in the stomach. A baby that is digesting its food seldom cries and always looks cheerful; the little cniid whose stom-ach is good romps and plays and never whines; the growing child learns well to clear and its stomach light, and that means if it has to constipation. The best and safest way to cure any fregularity of the stomach and bowels in children is by the use of Dr. Cald-well's Syrup Pepsin. Thi is a liquid laxative wonderful in its effect as Mrs. John W. Dunham, Apple Creek C. Mrs. It, L. Cullam, Plainville, Ind., and unerous others can testify who give it to their children with extraordinary esults. A bottle only costs 50 cents or \$1 ac-

it to their children with extraordinary results. A bottle only costs 50 cents or 31 ac-cording to the size you want, and even one 50-cent bottle will do a wonderful amount of good in a family. It can be given to any member of the family in constipation, sour stomach, indigesition, torpid liver, dyspepsia, heartburn, sick headache and similar digestive troubles. It never gripes or strangles like pills, tablets, saits and powders, which should not be given to children, women or old folks. If you have a child or other member of the family who needs, but has never used this grand laxative tonic, send your name and address to the doctor and a free trial bottle will be sent to your home. In this way you can find out what it will do without personal expense. If , there is anything

If there is anything If there is anything about your allment that you don't understand, or if you want any medical advice, write to the doc-tor, and he will answet you fully. There is ne-charge for this service. The address is Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 518 Caldwell Bidg., Monticello, 111. 4

n its physiological and religious aspect, urging the people to be true to every phase of that most important condition.

One beautiful feature of the conference was the number of young men just returned from missions, who spoke to the assembled saints, each of them in his remarks made a deep impression, and demonstrated the good results to the young men themselves from this missionary experience. At the meet-ing on Sunday morning Elder Clawson, in the opening prayer, dedicated the new opera house for social purposes, and expressed the hope that it may never be defiled by sin and wickedness, WM. G. BICKLEY,

Stake Clerk,

FLOURISHING BRANCH IN OKLAHOMA

Marlow, Okla., April 21.-The Marlow branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized at Marlow, Okla., Nov. 19, 1905, with A. S. Beeler as presiding elder. A Sunday school was kept in good operation until May 19, 1908, when the branch was re-organized with A. S. Beeler as presid-ing elder; A. L. Garringer and S. M. E. Fain as counselors, and S. B. Dye as clerk. D. E. Haggard with E. G. Bu-lard and J. M. Mackey formed the with Mary Bean as secretary. The Re-lief society was organized with Sister A. B. Beeler as president, Winnie Garfin-ger and Callie Haggard as counselors, Vida Dye as secretary and Salile Bulard as treasurer. Under this organization, with a continual increase in baptisms and immigration, the branch has flour-

The president of the branch soon discovered the necessity of a church build-ing and accordingly set to work with his colaborers constructing a neat little church.

A spirited and well attended confer-ence convened March 20 and 21, 1909. President Bennion, 14 elders and many saints and friends filled the church to its limits. S. M. E. Fain was placed as

first counselor, and E. G. Bulard, or-dained an elder, as second. D. E. Hag-gard was also ordained an elder. S. B.

Dye and Edgar Puckett form the dea-

cons' qourum. Sister Callie Haggard and Alabama Reed were set apart as

counselors to Sister Beeler on account

of Sister Garranger's removal to Can-ada. Every organization is now in a

healthy condition, working vigorously for the progress of the branch. Our Sunday school is hard to beat, Brother

Beeler having been a school teacher for

the theological department.

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20 years, makes an excellent teacher in

The saints have gathered from Texas,

Louisiana, Kentucky and Alabamat though from many states, the gospel has made the welding link that unites

all true followers of the lowly Naz-

As all Mormons believe, we are saved



eral of them apostatized and were ex-communicated from the Church. No. you did not forget to tell your readers this for you told them that a misunder standing arose between Smith and these witnesses and that all of the three you mentioned had denied that testimony.

The commandment says "Thou shalt not lie," so I presume you were only mistaken. Yes, I know you can find it in print and so too, can you find a lot of other stuff there, written by our enemies; but you are not willing to be judged by your enemies, and besides this, sir, coples of affidavits given at the time these men were out of the Church can be produced to refute this falsehood. It might be interesting or at least instructive to you to know that two of these three again joined the Church and that all three of them gave their dying testimony against the lie that has been published. You say "Smith called his work 'the

golden Bible," and that we use the Book of Mormon as our Bible. One Mr. Lamb applied this title in derision, not Joseph Smith, and when it comes to the question of what book we use as our Bible, I am willing to measure arms with you to prove any doctrine that we teach and we will both use King James' translation. Come, now, I mean i you need some of the truths that a therein written, and by this as a stand ard we will prove whether your conclu eation sion that we are an "unchristian peo-ple" is right or not. "To the law and to the testimony, for if they speak not according to this, it is because there is an uncht in them?"

no light in them." It is true that there are some parts of the Book of Mormon like parts of the Bible, and it is also true that the gos pel is ever the same, no matter where found

You say that the people who were cursed were to forever remain dork. but you haven't read the book for declares they are to "become a whit and delightsome people." You say we claim that the Indians belong to th ten lost tribes of Israel. It is not true for we do not and you can't point out



ELDERS OF THE MONTANA CONFERENCE.

Names, reading from left to right: First row-William Moncur, Bishop O. W. Benson, Edward F. Jones. Second row-Henry L. Acord, Heber Swindle Geo. B. Wilson, President Nephi Pratt, William G. Shields, Jos. C. Cowley, Third row-Nathanial Ashby, Jesse S. Bushman, John C. Fullmer, D. L. Brimhall, William H. Rassmussen, Clyde C. Dahlquist, Frank A. Curtis. Fourth row-Charles Brown, Jesse L. Roberts, Berry Robinson, J. Wm. Jones, Frank S. Porter, W. L. Van Orden.

being able to supply for himself the dire necessities of life. You had betsubject to your inspection at any time. nd that Prof. Fairchild of that institution has often and long since said, "Some other explanation (if other than ter get together and make up your Your second article is fully as units own explanation be needed) must be sought for the origin of the Book of Mormon" and he goes on to state reasonable and as untruthful as the first but I have no more time to write to you today, may give you a few more that names, dates, incidents, descriptions, nor plot are similar in the two: If you know this the commandance points of information later for you car tainly need them, and my purpose here is to enlighten my fellow men without "Thou shalt not lie," and if you don't know it, it is time you were find-ing it out, for even the thinking class of making money out of him for my us. in return your own people don't believe you. And do you know that last year the graad-daughter of this very Spaulding, after I must write you in connection with what you say of the people at Nauvoo, their being driven out; their crossing the plains and their early days in Utan, for this is favorite theme of mine and

having read that old story over until she almost knows it by heart, accepted the Book of Mormon as being of divine origin and was babtized by on-mersion into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints? Come now, wise up a little If you can't get a conv of black as you have painted the pictur. I can make it look lily-white by th side of what can be put on the car side of what can be put on the car-vas for you. But thank God I belong to a .Church that doesn't have to rear some one clse down in order to live This work will go on after you and all your "bunch" are dead, gone and forup a little. If you can't get a copy o the Book of Mormon and of the Spaul1 ing story, I'll send you both on appli totten. "If this counsel or this work You speak of Martin Harris taking

be of men, it will come to naught. But if it he of God ye cannot overthrow it: certain writings to Professor . thon of New York and say that lest haply ye be found even to fight against God," Acts 5: 38-39. I don't quote the first part of the thirty-eighth (Anthon) said it was all a deception, and that no such language ever existel as that in which it is claimed the work was written. Wouldn't it be just as verse to you because I don't care whether you refrain from us and lat us alone or not-the harder you kick well for you to tell the truth when it is easier for you to do so than to the untruth? Turn to the twenty-ninta a ball the farther it will roll. Many a minister has wrecked his air-ship on the rock against which you chapter of Isaiah, 11th to 14th verses and then find out what Mr. Anthon have struck and has been made the really did say and you will see a com ser thereby. 'Unloyal and unchristian,'' you say, plete fulfillment of prophecy.

You trace this people very bried from New York to Ohio; from there to but let God judge between you and us: "By their fruits you shall know them; and "not everyone that sayeth unto m Missourl: and from there to Illivol finding little apparently to suit yea, taste, but finally you light upon tae "bank question" and go back to Kirt Lord, Lord, shall enter into the king-dom of heaven, but he that doth the will of My Father which is in heaven." land and tell the people that Smith and Rigdon established a bank there "with-out securing the right to do so from Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self," and we are even commanded to ove our enemies. Are these Bible pasout securing the right to do so from the state;" that they sent out worthless paper in profusion; that the trank fail-ed, and that they were finally tarred and feathered, but that Smith went back and was made prosident over these very people. "O consistences thou are a jewel." But the command-ment says "Thou shall not lie." You ovidently have forgotten to tell your readers that full rights from the state were obtained for the establishment of iges or did I get them from the Book of Mormon? Yours very respectfully, CHARLES BROADBENT. 111 East Twenty-sixth Street, Minneapolis, Min.

CONFERENCE IN HOLLAND were obtained for the establishment of that bank, and that though it did .a Leenwarden, Holland, April 5,-The semi-annual Groningen conference of yet the people who there deposited their money received in payment therefor a larger per cent of their deposits than 90 per cent of the larger and older the Netherlands and Belgium mission was held in Groningen, March 28, com-

mencing at 10 o'clock. After opening exercises President J. K. Melbos of the office made an address of welcome. The other speakers and their themes were: Elders C. S. Hyde, who spoke on "Revelation." Elder D. C. Course "Arceleton and Participation". mencing at 10 o'clock. banks which also failed by the score that year (1837) ever did pay; and it is hardly likely that people who had been "bitten" as badly as you say these people were would put that very same person in to preside over them, who . Cooyer, "Apostacy and Restoration;"

Elder Healy, "Changes Made by Men in the Gospel Plan;" Elder Joseph H. Smith, "The Dispensation of the Goshad thus defrauded them of their You speak of "Danites" and the vows they are supposed to have taken to support Joseph Smith in crime. You pel to Joseph Smith the Prophet;" and President Melbos. The afternoon meeting was well athaven't read very far back to tended both by saints and strangers. After opening exercises the Sagrament

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whether you had the truth before writ-ing. You don't seem to know that this band called by you "Danites" was orwas administered, and Elder E. J. Rudd ganized by one Sampson Avard for the very purpose of overthrowing the Church, and that the "bunch" of them addressed the saints. The general authorities of the Church and mission were then presented and were excommunicated from the Church were unanimously sustained.

held their conference. The associa tions of Hulaia, Lihue, Kealia, Koloa, Kanapepi, Makaweli and Kekaka, each presented interesting lessons, from th ife of Christ, the Book of Mormon and

other topics. Addresses were delivered by a number of the presidents of the societies and the elders. societies and the elders. Following this meeting a big feast was prepared in the bowery, to which were seated all the visitors from all parts of the island, both members and

members of the Church. te Relief Societies held a very creditable fair and had on exhibition and sale many handsome articles, all the handiwork of the ladies

In the evening the Mutual Improve ment associations held their conference, Elder J. W. Stoddard in charge. The associations of each branch, al-ready named took part in the rendition of a fine program of lessons, which inluded the following subjects, all ably handled:

"The character of God," "The life of Joseph Smith the Prophet," "The crucifixion of the Savior," "Dispensa-tion of the fullness of times," "The gathering of Israel," "The restoration of the gospel." Interspersed with the les-sons were musical numbers and saort addresses of local elders.

Today's session began at 8 a. m. with a profitable priesthood meeting. The Sunday school convened at 10 a. m., when many interesting and instruc-

tive exercises were rendered. The general meeting began immediately after the Sunday school session. Addresses were given by the local priesthood and the missionaries from Zion. The general and local authorities were sustained by unanimous vote. At the conclusion of the general meet-

ing a light lunch ing a light lunch was served and the people repaired to their homes, many of whom had come from distant parts of the island. W. C. JEFFERIES.

NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED AT OLDHAM, ENGLAND

135 Gt. Norbury St., Hyde, England, April 16, 1909.—The Latter-day Saints have just erected a new meetinghouse in Oldham. The history of the build-ing began with the year 1908, when El-ders J. H. Platt and William Glenn and the saints of Oldham decided to start a building fund to obtain mener start a building fund to obtain money for a meetinghouse of their own, which they had very much needed for a long time. They labored very zealously until it was accomplished. In the lat-ter part of the year a mission room was offered for sale very cheap-£40-but they hadn't enough money, so President Olsen of the conference applied to Pres-ident Penrose for aid, President Pen-rose communicated with the first presidency of the Church, and they were favorable, and granted the purchase price of ± 40 .

The building had to be moved to an-The building had to be moved to an-other part of town, so we began to look for a piece of ground and we had some difficulty in getting a piece, as some of the land owners didn't propose help-ing the Mormons, but we succeeded in getting a very nice location, and soon had a foundation in and all the ma-tarial on the ground: then work was terial on the ground; then work was stopped for a month on account of difil-

March 27. There were present, dent Andrew Jenson, O. J. Andersen, President James J. Larsen and 27 trav-eling elders of the Copenhagen conferalso President A. H. Andersen of the Aarhus conference. Three very interesting sessions were

held. The first on Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock, at which the presiding ellers gave a report of the conditions ex in their respective branches, and President Jenson made the closing ad-TPASS

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock a very interesting Sunday school conference was held, after a report of the Sunday schools in the conference by President Larsen and a report of the Copenhagen Sunday school by Supt. Thorvald Pe tersen an interesting program, consist-ing of recitations, songs, readings, stc., was carried out, closing with addresses Elder O. J. Andersen and President Jenson.

The afternoon service commenced at 2 o'clock; after the usual opening ex-ercises, all the elders in the conference were given 2 minutes in which to bea. their testimony. Fresident A. H. An-dersen then addressed the congregation mon the plan of salvation and was folowed by President Jenson. The evening session commenced at

o'clock with a very good attendance a large number were non-members President Larsen read a compiled .t. tistical report of the work done in the conference during the last five montast as follows:

Number of missionaries, 23; branches tracts distributed, 100,023; books dis tributed, 2,594; strangers' houses visited

84,481; gospel conversations, 4,045; bip-tized, 31; meetings held, 331. Elder O. J. Andersen then addressed the congregation by bearing a strong testimony to the truthiulness of the gospel taught by the elders. the Church and spoke upon the efficacy of prayer.

President Jenson presented to general and local authorities, who were unan-mously sustained. The local authorities were sustained as follows:

President of Scandinavian mission, Andrew Jenson; secretary of Scandina-vian mission, Niels P. Nielson, Jr.; editor Scandinavian Stjerne, O. J. Andersen; president Copenhagen conference James J. Larsen; secretary Copenhage. conference, Fred Jorgensen; traveling elder, H. C. Hansen, Tooele. Missionaries laboring in the branches

s follows: Helsingor-James O. Petersen and H

C. Hansen, Salem, Idaho; Nestyed, Hans Mickelsen and Joseph S. Nielsen; Slagelse, James Larsen and Carl Chris-tensen; Holback, C. H. L. Jensen and Alfred A. Johansen; Lolland and Fal-ster, Jorgen Madsen and Marius Simonster, Jorgen Madsen and Martus Simon-sen; Bornholm, Niels P. Jeppersen aud H. C. Hansen, Weston, Idaho; Copen-hagen, James J. Larsen, Fred Jorgen-sen, Joseph W. Petersen, Joseph M. Olsen, L. M. Sorensen, J. G. Hansen, Joseph S. Balrd, H. P. Andersen, P. H. Westernskow Ferdinand A. Petersen Westernskow, Ferdinand A. Petersea . A. Poulsen, Carl C. Nelson,

President Jenson was the concluding speaker, he delivered a very impressive serman on the mission of Chlist, the of the priesthood, the o ganiza power tion that existed in the primitive Church and how the Church is nov organized.

Monday a splendid priesthood meet ing was held, a pleasant time was spent and many good instructions were given by President Jenson. In the eve ning a Sacrament meeting was held at which Elder J. G. Hansen, President most interesting manner upon the im-portance of the marriage relation, both Jenson and Bro. F. Samuelsen were that speakers.

In the afternoon, Prest, Robinson presented the general authorities of the Church and the officers of this mission and of the Los Angeles con-ference, and all were unanimously sustained. The general authorities were presented as sustained at the sustained, The general authorities were presented as sustained at the last general conference of the Church. The other officers are as follows: El-ders Joseph E. Robinson, president of the California mission; Elder Reuben F. Burton, secretary; Elder Ephraim Nelson, president of the Los Angeles conference; and Elder Reuben F. Burton, secretary. During the three sessions, vocal solos were rendered by Sister Jose-

were rendered by Sister Jose olog bine Gottsfreeden by Inser absc-dington, Sister Elsie B. Best and Sister Millie Williams; also, a violin solo by Elder Jos, H. Kirkham, There was a good attendance at each meet-ing and especially in the forenoon, when the little church was filled to its fullest capacity, with about 215 present. A good spirit prevalled and it is fell that the conference was a thorough success.

horough success. Monday evening, the 19th, a dance was given in Oak hall, and the following evening, a social was held in the church with a well rendered pro-gram, concluding with refreshments.

Both of these occasions were well at-tended and were very enjoyable. Yesterday some of the elders went to their fields of labor, and President Robinson and family left for San Francisco to attend the conference to the others have gone to their fields and the regular work will soon be in

again operation REUBEN F. BURTON, Secv.

BEAVER STAKE CONFERENCE.

The one hundred and twenty-eighth quarterly conference of Beaver stake of Zion was held on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, 1909. The general authorities of the Church were represent-ed by Elder Rudger Clawson of the apostles' quorum, and Elder Charles H. Hart of the first council of seventy. The presidency of the stake, most of the high council, all the bishops in the stake with one exception, and a very excellent gathering of the priesthood were in attendance, and each meeting was well attended and intense interest was manifest in all the gatherings. Four sessions were held, together with

preciated as a prime factor in this pro-

gressive condition Elder Rudger Clawson was particu-

larly happy in his commendation of the interest displayed by the people in the erection of the beautiful and commodi-

ous new building at the Murdock acad-emy (formerly the Beaver branch of B, Y, U.) and his instructions on the

reneral lines taken up were forceful

Elder Charles H. Hart spoke upon the

spiritual forces which animate the human family and dwelt largely upon

the effect of missionary effort, relating many incidents which had come under

his notice. Elder John G. McQuarrie spoke in a

contact. a general stake priesthood meeting, and the young people's conference. Sunday meetings were held in the

"We find a few people here, where we have been holding meeting, who are taking quite an active part in the in-vestigation of Mormonism. We look new opera house, the attendance being the largest in the history of Beaver, the house was comfortably filled and the for an appointment to baptize one or two persons in the near future." write Elders G. E. Hulme and S. S. Simpson, accoustic properties of the spacious building were found to be excellent. The reports of the bishops of the vafrom Pottersville, Mo. rious wards indicated a marked im-provement in spiritual affairs. The new priesthood movement being ap-

Elders J. U. Webster and O. A. Tolman write from Sullivan, Mo., that they are kept busy holding meetings and that everything is progressing nice-ly in that part, the Lord has greatly blessed our efforts here, they report.

Elders S. J. Orme and William E. Karren write very encouragingly from Beaver, La. They say that friends are being raised up to supply their wants and that they are successful in getting meeting places and they feel that a good work is being accomplished among that people

The elders and sisters in St. Louis report that they are having success in placing the Book of Mormon in some of the book stores and that the work is progressing. GEO. H. SODERBORG.

started their company work again and expect to do country work after having spent some time in the cities. All are enjoying the Spirit of the Lord and are striving to spread the gospel among the people with whom they come in

Mo.-Elders G. C. Wright and E. O. Fullmer write from Philadelphia, Mo., that they are meeting with success in tracting and holding meetings, and that people and quite friendly in that part of the country. President Peter Mortensen of the East Kansas conference reports that the elders under his direction have

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as fast as we gain intelligence, Presi-dent Bennion was asked to furnish a school teacher that the youth might have better advantage of song and scholastic education, accordingly the writer was sent from the Independence conference, taking charge of the school Feb. 23, 1909. We have held singing practises twice each week, where the young and old delight in singing the songs of Zion. We are promised an early school next fall and invite the

scattered saints and friends to partake of these advantages if they feel to

make this their abode ELDER ALMA WILLIAMS.