was released on account of poor health, having served nearly fourteen months. Elder S. S. Stevens having labored some

Edder S. S. Stevens having labored some over two years, was also honorably released, and after visiting his relatives, in this state, will return to the land of the "Honey Bee." Elder Stevens is a young man, a Virginian by birth, and a Tew years ago read some of our literature, became convinced of the truthfulness of the Gospel, went to Salt Lake City, was baptized, and after spending

City, was baptized, and after spending

some over two years in Utah, was called on a mission to the Southern

states. Elder Stevens has met much opposition; however, he has been the means of converting the majority of his father's house, already having led some of them down into the waters of

The Elders, after changing companions, returned to their respective counties, to labor chiefly among the humble fishermen along the Atlantic coast.

Many are investigating the Gospel, and, as a rule, the reports are encouraging. Some have already applied for

FRORIDA CONFERENCE.

The Elders of the Florida conference ith President B. E. Rich, met with a

few Saints in Temperance Hall, East Jacksonville, Florida, Feb. 22 and 23, and held a successful conference.

An excellent spirit prevalled at all the meetings, and the principles of the Gospel were set forth in great plain-ness by the following speakers: Presi-dent Ben E. Rich of the Southern

dent Ben E. Rich of the Southern States mission; President J. W. Go-lightly of the Florida conference, and Elders D. R. Snow, Fred J. Heath, Broderick, C. E. Ferrin, P. A. Peel and

At the Priesthood meeting President Rich gave the Elders timely counse, and advice.

The 'News' and Era are welcome isitors. P. A. PEEL,

STAKE CONFERENCES.

Pear Lake Stake.

The Bear Lake stake conference convened in the stake tabernacle at Paris, idaho, March 4 and 5. President Francis M. Lyman and Elder Seymour B. Young of the first council of Seven-

ties were present, also William Budge and James H. Hart of the stake

presidency were present, and the High Councelors, Bishops and others. The

weather was most beautiful but owing

ing character. The singing, under the leadership of J. R. Shepherd was also splitted and of a high order, and alto-gether we had a very interesting and profitable conference.

Alberta stake.

Nearly every stake official and Bish-

The principal speakers were Elders T. A. Clawson, Edward J. Wood, Thomas Duce, Sterling Williams, Patriarch Henry L. Hinman, Elders David H. El-ton, Seth H. Thomas and Sister Rhoda

It was the privilege of the last name I to be personally acquainted with the Prophet Joseph Smith, and her convinc-

ing testimony was that she knew he was a Prophet of God.

Was a Prophet of God.

The artistic rendition of the musical selections added materially to the enjoyment of the conference.

The excavation for the new stake tabernacle is finished, and a large quantity of grey sandstone is already! on the ground.

on the ground.

Tre frost is out of the ground, and the farmers are very busy plowing and sowing grain. A large area of fall wheat was sown, and is looking fine. We are hopeful of a bounteous harvest,

E. A. LAW,

Stake Clerk.

San Juan Stake.

The quarterly conference of the San Juan stake was held in the Bluff meetinghouse March 4 and 5, President Wayne H. Redd presiding. There were present beside the presiding officer two Bishops, seven High Councilors and other stake and ward officers. The slim attendance was due to the very bad roads caused by the storms which have prevailed all over the stake. The reports of the two wards show that the people were united, the different organizations were alive and doing well, with

people were united, the different organizations were alive and doing well, with good prospects for crops. Bishop F. I. Jones told how important it is to plow the land in the fall, so when the storms come our plate is right side up, he having plowed about 40 acres last fall.

President Redd exhorted the Saints to cuitivate the spirit of love in the family circle, and gave timely counsel.

family circle, and gave timely counsel. Elder L. H. Redd was released with a vote of thanks from being stake clerk.

and Elder Peter Allan was unanimously sustained in his place, Priesthood meeting was held on Sat-

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### INDIANA CONFERENCE.

#### Excellent Showing Made by Missionaries.

Robison, Indiana, March 4.—The twenty Elders laboring in this state, met in conference with President Ger-man E. Ellaworth at Evansville, on Feb. 25 and 26. Three Priesthood and four public meetings were held, the latter being well attended. The or-ganization and doctrines of the Church were explained by the Elders, who were listened to with marked attention.

During the Priesthood meetings the Elders bore strong testimonies and ex-pressed themselves as being very much pressed themselves as being very much encouraged with the success that has attended their labors. They all return to their respective fields, with renewed determination to press on in the work of the Lord.

A proprinent feature of the conference was the excellent music furnished by the young ladies, who kindly assisted us in singing the songs of Zion, and we feel to thus publicly express our appreciation for the assistance rendered. Friends opened their homes to the visit-ing Elders, and did all Ia their power

During the past year 104 persons were received into the Church in this state; 69 baptisms and 49 children blessed. No baptisms have been performed up to this time this year; still we feel that it has been a promitions seed if the and it has been a propitious seed time and that the harvest will be rich indeed. Twenty-nine persons have applied for baptism, and as soon as the weather becomes favorable, the ordinance will

be performed.

The Elders were assigned to labor as follows: President Ezra B. Walker, L. R. Pace, Wm. Cheney and Clement Smith, as traveling Elders; C. S. Love Smith, as traveling Elders; C. S. Love and Geo. E. Manwaring, Robison, Greene Co.; Wilford Walker and Wm. Kawallis, Bloomington; S. V. Henderson and H. R. Pack, Evansville; Thos. H. Wilde and L. V. Johnson, Linton; P. L. Pierson and T. W. Kerby, Spencer Co.; J. O. Duke and C. Buehler, Sulphur; J. A. Morgan and M. B. Martin, Harrison, ed.; Hyrum L. Mullington, Martin, tin, Harrison co.: Hyrum L. Mulli-ner, Chicago. Elder J. A. Horne was released and returns to his home in Salt Lake, after serving faithfully in the mission field for twenty-sight

#### ELDER G. E. MANWARING. MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

#### Exemplary Conduct of the Elders Make Friends for Cause.

The semi-annual conference of the Latter-day Saints of Michigan, was held at Grand Rapids, March 4 and 5, Elder German E. Ellsworth president of the Northern States mission was present. Two Priesthood, one testi-mony and three public meetings were mony and three public meetings were held. In the etstimony meeting both Elders and Saints speke of the love they have for the Gospel, and how eager they were for its furtherance. The public meetings were well attended, and all present seemed very interested in further investigation of the principles they heard explained. Several friends have been made through the Elders staying with the people. They Elders staying with the people. They have watched their actions, and highly recommended the Elders to their friends thus causing more friends to be raised

The conference president and Elders are much encouraged with their success in the past six months and look forward to the time when the seed sown will grow and flourish. President Elisworth gave timely in-struction to the Elders as to the best

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fore the people.

On Monday evening following, Mr.

On honday evening following, hospi-On Monday evening following, Mr. and Mrs. Owen showed their hospitality and kindness by giving a social party to the Saints and Elders. A very pleasant evening was spent. Tuesday evening the Elders, Saints and friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dailey, where some of the Elders have been staying for a short time. The evening was spent by singtime. The evening was spent by singing, reciting, etc. All present had an enjoyable time, and the Elders all felt well in leaving for their fields of labor.

WILLIAM G. "ASTO,
Secretary of Conference.

#### N. WESTERN STATES MISSION. Branch of the Church Organized At Hood River, Oregon.

Elder G. W. Quibell, president of the Portland, Or., conference, writes the "News" as follows:

The work of the Lord is still progressing in this part of the vineyard. While it is true that new converts are not being made as frequently as they were in the early days of the Church, we still occasionally find an honest soul who is possessed of sufficient moral courage to come out and face a cold al courage to come out and face a cold and frowning world and cast their los and frowling world and cast their lot with the Latter-day Saints. But not-withstanding the spirit of indifference and all the opposition brought to bear against it, Mormonism as it is termed is steadily but surely growing.

On Friday, March 3, President Nephi Pratt, Elder John W. Smith and I went

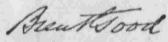
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by train to the town of Hood River, sit-uated on the beautiful Columbia river at the point where Hood river empties into the Columbia and distant from Portland 66 miles. There we were met by Elders Clark Darrington, and T. W. Lee, who had preceded us there. The afternoon and following day were spent by the in making arrangements for by us in making arrangements for holding meetings, and visiting among the Saints of that vicinity who num-

ber including children about 50 souls.

On Saturday evening a Priesthood meeting of the visiting Elders and local Priesthood was held in which the advisability of organizing a branch of the Church was discussed, and unanimous-Church was discussed, and unanimously decided upon; also a Sunday school. After which the following were selected for the positions named: President of the branch, Ezra T. Monson; counselors, Frank Davenport, Jr., and George E. Jenkins; superintendent of Sunday school, Wm. C. Geddes.

On Sunday two general meetings of the Saints were held, President Nephi Pratt presiding. The organization of

Pratt presiding. The organization of the branch was decided upon unani-mously, and the officers selected in the the branch Priesthood meeting were sustained with the following additions: Wm. F Gregory, first assistant superintendent of Sunday school, and Earl Davenport secretary and treasurer.

The meetings were adressed by El-ers Nephi Pratt, G. W. Quibell, John W. Smith, Clark Darington and also by Elder Joseph A. West of Ogden. Three children were blessed.

At 7:30 p. m. a meeting was held in the Artizans' hall, to which the pub-lic were invited, President Ezra T. Monson presiding.

### PREACHING IN PENNSYLVANIA

Great Good Accomplished by Opposition-An Old Time Friend.

Allegheny, Pa., Feb. 23, 1905,—The 12 Elders laboring in this conference are enjoying pretty good health and are laboring earnestly to save the souls of men. The Elders are well treated as a rule. Not any of them have had to go without food or a place to sleep since the fall conference

Being so near the capital, we have considerable opposition to meet grow-ing out of the case of Senator Smoot; but more good than harm will be the final result, as with all other opposition final result, as with all other opposition which the Latter-day Saints have met from the beginning. Many people, in fact nearly all broad minded, honest and upright people, are beginning to understand our cause in a way that they possibly never would have done only through this investigation. The Elders have been able to reach and interest many people that in all probability never would have investigated except for this notorious hearing.

While traveling in Washington coun-

While traveling in Washington county not long ago my companion and I found an old gentleman, F. W. Cooper by name, who spent two years in Salt Lake City and vicinity in 1865 and 1869. He and another gentleman ran a threships mechine in Davis county. thrashing machine in Davis county. The old people of Bountiful Centerville and Woods Cross may remember him. He has a warm spot in his heart for our people, though not an adherent of any religious faith. We found many recommend the second of the second o any religious faith. We found many good hearted people at Venetia, Washington county, Pa., where Mr. Cooper lives. Nearly every house we went to we were enabled to have a talk with the people and were invited in by many. Thus it is easy to get along where we are known. But the ignorant and the prejudiced cannot be mean enough.

seemingly. On the 15th inst, we had a visit at On the 15th inst, we had a visit at our office at 1305 Allegheny avenue, Allegheny, Pa., from 'ttev. Nutting, who is well known by many of our people in Utah and Idaho as being active in trying to convert the "Mormons." Ha is here lecturing against our people and had the audacity to come to the headquarters of this conference to give us a calling down. Rev. Nutting is a miserable man, and does not know he us a calling down. Rev. Nutting is a miserable man, and does not know he is preaching the Gospel by the literature he is distributing and the talk he makes, doing more good than several Elders could accomplish.

GEORGE CALL.

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### Interesting Gathering of Elders At Columbia.

At Columbia.

The South Carolina conference was held in Craven hall, Columbia, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 25 and 26, 1905. Mission President Ben E. Rich presided with Conference President E. S. Davis taking charge. Besides the above all the Elders of the conference were present and addressed the meetings as follows: W. E. Jones, John G. Chadwick, Emerson Bradley, Joseph A. Mecham, Laslie E. Moon, Isaae L. Cooper, John H. Cook, Levi C. Ward, Moroni C. Smith, Jens C. Anderson, Andrew C. Jensen, R. Ray Nixon, L. L. Mecham, D. A. Gillies, Joshua Finlinson, John W. Amor, David E. Boam, J. E. Bush. Alfred Carter. President Davis expressed satisfaction and encouragement in the success of the work ouragement in the success of the work f the Lord in this conference.

of the Lord in this conference.

Strong testimonies were borne by the speakers and the Gospel principles were set forth in power and plainness.

President Rich held counsel sessions with the 19 Elders present and instructed them in their duties, manner of living, etc. President E. S. Davis was released to return home and Elder Alfred Carter was elected to fill his place, with Elders Joseph A. Mecham and John G. Chadwick as counselors.

ANDREW C. JENSEN.

## VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

## Excellent Meetings Held-Releases

-Progress of Work.

From Richmond, Va., under date of March 9, Elder C. L. Pritchett writes the "News" as follows: the "News" as follows:

The Elders laboring in the state of Virginia met at the "Picket Camp Hall." 307 N. Seventh streat, and held conference on the 5th and 6th of March. Three meetings were held each day.

Twenty-one Elders, in connection with a number of Saints, and a few friends were in attendance. Presidence Pres

with a number of Saints, and a few friends, were in attendance. President A. F. Jeppson presided. The speakers during the first day were, C. F. Weight, G. L. Miner, A. D. Brown, C. L. Pritchett, S. B. Stevens, N. W. Oldroyd, and A. F. Jeppson. The principal subjects spoken on were, "The Kingdom of God," "Revelation," and the "Plan of Salvation."

President Ben E. Rich, toined our President Ben E. Rich joined our ranks the second day, and many timely

instructions were given by him. He spoke on the life of the Prophet Joseph the growth of "Mormonism," and the and the ffects of the Smoot investigation, President A. F. Jeppson, having spent

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urday at 7 p. m., when the duties and responsibilities of those holding the Priesthood were explained in detail.

Priesthood were explained in detail.

A most excellent spirit prevailed throughout the conference.

The Relief society, Mutual Improvement associations and Primary, each held good meetings.

A notable feature of the conference was the beautiful singing by the choir, under the leadership of Prof. John Baily.

Outforence addressed to meeting the conference of the conferen Conference adjourned to neet at Meab three months hence.

L. H. REDD.

Stake Clerk.

## Taylor Stake The quarterly conference of the Taylor Stake of Zion was held Feb. 19 and 20 in Magrath, Alberta, Canada, the stake presidency, High Council and other stake and ward officers attending. Elder T. A. Clawson of Salt Lake City

was the visiting member of the M. I. A A good spirit prevailed and seasonable instructions were given by the different speakers. Considering the cold weather a large number attended the various meetings.

the various meetings.

Sunday evening the conjoint Mutual meeting was held and largely attended by young, enthusiastic people. The class meetings were held Saturday, at

class facetings were held Saturday, at which many subjects were discussed for the benefit of M and work.

The Priesthood and High Council meetings were held, at which the people were advised to pay their debts and try to keep out of debt.

GEO. H. BUDD.

Stake Clerk Stake Clerk.

### RETURNED MISSIGNARIES

Elder Parley P. Taylor of Harrisville Weber county, returned March 9, 1907 from the Southern States mission, fo which he was set apart Nov. 4, 1902. The conferences of Georgia, Florida. Kentucky were his fields of labor. kentucky were his fields of labor. He spent the first pine months of his mission in the cities of Atlanta and Savannah. From the latter place he was called to Florida, where he traveled over the greater part of that state as presiding Elder for about one year. In September last he visited the world's fair at St. Louis, where he also had the pleasure of attending the Downes' family reunion (his mother's people) family reunion (his mother's people), and was given the privilege of finishing s mission in the state of Kentucky, where many of his father's people re-ide. He says he was kindly received by his relatives and was able to obtain much valuable family history. In all of the conferences where he labored, an excellent spirit has prevailed among the Elders, and as a rule they are kindweather was most beautiful but owing to bad reads the attendance was not as large as usual, but an excellent spirit prevailed during the conference. The reports given by the Bishops and presidents of organizations were also unusually interesting and of an encouragular the singing under the ly treated by the good people of the

Elder William S. Rust of Loa, Wayne county, Utah, passed through this city March 11, 1905, on his return from the Southern States mission, for which he was set apart Feb. 3, 1903. The con-ferences of South Carolina and Georgia were his fields of labor. The first 16 months of his mission he spent in the cities of Charleston and Columbia, S. C. The first 14 after which he was assigned to labor as president of the Georgia conference for about 11 months. The work in the Georgia conference is in a very pros perous condition, with promise of bright future.

profitable conference.

On Sunday morning Counselor Wfiliam L. Rich and Bishop W. W. Richards, both of whom represented the people of this country in the idaho legislature, returned home and met with us in conference, and gave interesting reports of their labors in behalf of the people.

JOHN U. STUCKI, Clerk. Elder George E. Whitehead of Anna-Elder George E. Whitehead of Annabelia, Sevier county, returned March II, 1905, from the Souther States mission, for which he was set apart Oct. 7, 1902. The Georgia conference was his field of labor. Notwithstanding some rough treatment received, Elder Whitehead considers his mission the happiest time of his life. He says that prejudice in Georgia is wearing away and a better The quarterly conference of the Alberta stake was held at Cardston, Feb. 26 and 27, Stake President Edward J. Wood presiding.

We were favored with the presence of Elder T. A. Clawson of Salt Lake City, whose discourses were highly interesting, being full of good spiritual Georgia is wearing away, and a better feeling is existing. Many honest in heart are accepting the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He had the privilege of bap-tizing 10 sincere converts. Nearly every stake official and Bishop was present, one or two were unable to attend through sickness. The weather being exceptionally fine enabled nearly all the people of this stake to attend. The reports of the Bishops and stake officials were very favorable, indicating that the people are progressing spiritually, and are better off financially than might have been expected, after the drouth of last year.

The general and local authorities were sustained by a unanimous vote.

The principal speakers were Elders

Elder Joseph Ipson of Panguitch, Gar-field county, arrived in this city March 12, 1905, on his return from the Middle and Southern States missions, for which he was set apart Oct. 7, 1902. The Mid ne was set apart Oct. 7, 1992. The Mid-die Tennessee conference was his field of labor. The Gospel work in that lo-cality is going slowly onward and some good is being done by way of allaying prejudice and making friends and in-vestigators, and while the number of baptisms is not great, the future pros-pects are favorable.

Elder John A. Forsyth of Provo City, Utah county, returned home March 12, 1905, from the Central States mission, for which he was set apart Nov. 4, 1902. The Louisiana conference was hield of labor. He says that during his travels in the conference, he noted wonderful progress in the work. He baptized 10 souls. Since May 1904 he have tized 10 souls. Since May, 1904, he habeen engaged in the Sunday school work. At present there are four Sun-day schools in Louisiana. Friends are always coming in and taking an active part in this work. There is more work n this state than the little band of El ders can do.

Elder Henry Franke of Eureka, Juab Edger Henry Franke of Eureka, Juab county, passed through this city March 13, 1905, on his return from the German mission, whither he was sent Supt. 16, 1902. The conferences of Berlin and Leipzig were his fields of labor, both of which, he says, are in good condition, and the people generally are feeling more friendly towards the Elders and more baptisms have been performed of late than in the past.

Elder Charles H. Aebitcher of Logan Cache county, arrived in this city March 13, 1905, on his return from the Swiss and German mission, for which he was set apart Dec. 12, 1902. The French dis-trict of Ewitzerland was his field of laoor, where the work is again making some progress. He spent his time in Biel, Neuchatel, and Lausanne.

Elder Olof E. Anderson of Salem, Ida ho., passed through this city March 13, 1995, on his return from the Scandinavian mission, for which he was set apart Nov. 21, 1992. The Stockholm conference, Sweden, was his field of labor. He reports that a good work is being done in the Stockholm conferwith excellent prospects for the

Eider George F. Larson of the Third ward, Ogden, Weber county, returned March 13, 1905, from the Scandinavian mission, for which he was assigned May 5, 1903. The Christiania, Norway, conference was his field of labor. He reports the work there is progressing very nicely. The people are very friendly toward the Elders and are willing to learn of the Gospel of Christ.

Elder John W. Holden of the Fifth ward, Provo, Utah county, arrived in this city March 13, 1905, on his return from the British mission, for which he was set apart Jan. 16, 1903. The Irish and Liverpool conferences were his fields of labor. The work is progressing very satisfactorily in the first named field. He had an enjoyable time visiting relatives in Blackburn.

Elder George H. Thomas of Smith-

## field, Cache county, returned March 13, 1905, from the British mission, for which he was set apart March 24, 1903. The Birmingham conference was his field of labor. He reports that the work there is progressing nicely, a great many op-en air meetings have been held the past two years. The people have been kind and have offered little or no oppo-sition. Quite a number have been bap-tized into the Church during the last

Elder Joseph Andersen of Ammon, Idaho, passed through this city March 13, 1905, on his return from the Scandinavian mission, whither he was sent May 27, 1903. The conference of Trondhjem, Norway, was his field of labor. A good work, he says, is being done in the Trondhiem conference and prosin the Trondhjem conference, and prospects for the future are very good.

Elder David F, Stevens of Raymond, Alberta, Canada, passed through this city March 13, 1905, on his return from the Central States mission, where he has been laboring since Nov. 25, 1902, in the Louisiana conference, part of the time as its president. The work in that part of the Lord's vineyard, he reports, is progressing nicely. Many people who were once enemies to the Elders and the cause they represent are becoming the cause they represent are becoming friendly. Louisiana is a fine field of labor and a good harvest of souls is expected there in the near future.

Elder John V. Johnson of Lindon, Utah county, returned March 14, 1905, from the Scandinavian mission, to which he was assigned Dec. 12, 1902. The conferences of Sundsvall and Goteborg, Sweden, were his fields of labor, He reports, that the Gospel work is proreports that the Gospel work is pro-gresisng slowly in Sweden. The Elders are making many friends and a few are joining the Church.

Elder Arthur A. Wilde of Raymon'i, Alberta, Canada, reached this city March 14, 1905, on his return from the Southern States mission, where he has been laboring in the Florida confer-ence since Nov. 4, 1902. He reports the Gospel work progressing nicely in that

Elder Samuel W. Leigh of Cedar City, Iron county, arrived in this city March 15, 1905, on his return from the British mission, for which he was set apart Jan. 14, 1903. The Sheffleld conference was his field of labor. The work of the Lord is progressing in the Sheffleld conference, very nicely. Many friends are being made, most of whom are earnestly investigating the Gospel.

Elder Peter Christian Carlston of Sanpete county, passed through this city March 15, 1905, on his return from the Scandinavian mission, for which he was set apart Dec. 12, 1802. The Christiania, Norway, conference, was his field of labor, where he reports the Gospel work is progressing very nicely. There appears to be a religious awakening in the Christiania conference at this time. In all the branches there are a great many friends and investigators

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