

pointed to succeed Elder Naegle as president over the Swiss and German mission.

Elders Peter G. Johnston and Robert F. Gilchrist have been appointed to labor as traveling Elders in the Scottish conference.

Elder Jesse Wm. Knight has been appointed to labor as a traveling Elder in the Cheltenham conference.

Elder Neil L. Gardner has been appointed to labor as a traveling Elder in the Nottingham conference.

Elder Clarence Eldredge has been appointed to labor as a traveling Elder in the Liverpool conference.

Elder L. Geo. Clarke has been appointed to labor as a traveling Elder in the Welsh conference.

### WAITING THE NEW DEPARTURE.

The stability of a community depends in great part upon its facilities for subsistence.

All wealth is the product of labor, which when unemployed is so much positive loss to any community.

It is said that every man is capable of adding six hundred dollars annually to the general wealth.

Experience has demonstrated that the majority of men cannot employ themselves.

This dependence nerves the patriot and the philanthropist to devise plans for the meeting of these circumstances.

The man who creates opportunities is as much a benefactor as he who makes two blades of grass grow, where only one had grown before. Selfish men have taken advantage of this excess of labor and employed it—mainly for their own aggrandizement:

Capitalists, have instituted trusts, combinations and monopolies, and have taken the lion's share of profits, leaving only a moiety for the producer.

A new departure is surely needed, or society will speedily consist of but two classes, masters and slaves.

The Latter-day Saints are the evangelists—the pioneers of the better era, for said their leader, "Ye are all brethren."

Nevertheless they have not yet emerged from the traditions and habits of the fathers, and brotherly interest has been more of a theory than an accomplished fact.

The towns and villages of her gathering place, have quite a proportion of anxious unemployed, because "no man hath hired them."

Organized effort is almost a stranger among the people and yet none are so well prepared for actual experiment, and so certain to succeed as they.

The greatest drawback is believed to be a lack of self-reliance, and consequent appeals for aid to the outside world.

These appeals are for interest bearing capital, which is today far from being an unmixed blessing, for financial slavery is begotten thereby and thus the destiny of the people is long deferred.

The promises made of old to Israel, were, that they should "lend and not borrow," that they "should be the head and not the tail." See Deut. 15th and 28th chapters.

These promises will remain unrealized and unfulfilled, so long as we remain in the ruts of the Gentile world, and ignore the means of deliverance already in our possession.

The condition is determined for us,

our great average of unemployed as already expressed, and the certainty is that without systematic action this proportion will largely increase as a consequence of our turning population.

There is not a town, village, hamlet or personal home, that approximates perfection, or if so they are in the cities; in all other localities this is beyond controversy, and all that is needed is method and enterprise, with the interchange of one form of labor or its products for another. The founders or leading men need that ambition which aims at making their locality (town or village) superior to all others, all honest progressive new-comers should not only be urged to improve, but should be aided in their efforts until by their labor they could return that aid which they had received and enjoyed. Security and a nominal charge or rental would be admissible, yet always to be avoided save as a last resort, all notes taken for balance of indebtedness should form a collateral for the issuance of scrip, and such scrip should be received for produce, labor, or material in any needed and usable form.

By material is understood, rock, lime, gravel, brick, adobes, local lumber, lath, pickets, logs, fire wood, &c; by produce is meant, wheat, flour, grains, butter, eggs, fowls, horned stock, sheep, pigs, dead or alive. To preserve and distribute to those who possessed a credit or accepted scrip, promises and efficient men imbued with the spirit thereof, and workers for its success should be employed at stated periods in this needed position.

Every man and family occupying and enjoying such a home, would become a fixture, animated by decided self-respect and importance in and to the community; his surroundings would be an ever-present advertisement, and a stimulus to the individual pride of every neighbor.

All homes should be built under the supervision of one familiar with all the refining conveniences of modern houses, and some architectural features of simple beauty should make all such dwellings models for each other and for the imitative family of adjoining builders.

Agriculture being the basic industry of most places in Utah, the spirit of order, cleanliness, convenience, should reach out to all outbuildings, barns, stables, sheds, poultry houses, piggeries and other needed auxiliaries, with corrals, fences and these should all be under and subject to the surveillance of the local leaders, just as much as the homes of the community.

Meeting houses and school houses could not fail of representing the popular conception of education; the religion of the people being of the best, the place or places in which that was taught and enforced, should represent its highest and brightest thought, all its appointments and surroundings, should almost speak to those looking on or entering therein, "Put off the shoes from off thy feet, for the plan thou standest on is holy ground."

Spiritual life thus ministered to would be highly appreciative of secular education; faculty would suggest cultivation, this would enlarge the thought and responsibility of citizenship; business tact and mental system would be deemed as imperative qualities for success even in the humblest farms of labor, to say nothing of those which include the appropriation of all progressive ideas

and their location in an expanding civilization.

The forces in close approximation to most settlements would suggest the electric current, so that when this essential unity prevailed, our mountain State would be radiant with light from its southern to its northern extremities, and the possibilities of local as well as general transportation for passengers and produce, would make interest general and brotherhood a living fact throughout the State.

There is not a desirable thing from homes to temples, from school houses to colleges, from light to transit, from reading to libraries, from manufactures to distribution, that cannot be reached in this way; all the extremes of present civilization would be rooted out, class distinctions would be abolished, capital and labor would be married beyond contrition or divorces; ignorance, idleness, uselessness would all be banished and labor would be sure of its own reward.

Life in such a community would be at a premium, the courtesies and refinements of domestic and social life amid such surroundings would rebuke the crude, uncouth, vulgar habits far too often seen; amusements would be less trifling and less vicious; music, literature, art, science would develop the higher faculties, and intelligent religious culture would round into lines of beauty, the manhood and womanhood of a more evenly balanced and living citizenship.

Community life has been tried almost all over the United States, from the experiment of Robert Owen, to Atrusia in California; the Icarians in Nauvoo and the Shakers in New Lebanon were also types in their way, to say nothing of scores who from fanatical or blasphemous religious frenzy, have tried to solve the social and industrial enigmas of our time; these have all failed save one, and the elements of life renewal are excluded from that by their reputation of marriage and consequent violence to the fundamentals of human nature.

Some desultory efforts were made in Utah years ago; many lived quite a few years in what was called "The New Order" (?); it is evident, from the history of the workings of that time that business principles were ignored, that men were thrust into positions for which they had neither qualification nor training, so disaster long foreseen fell upon those who had proved their sincerity by years of sacrifice and honest endeavor. It does not follow however that every thing has been tried because some have failed, the errors and non-successes of the past should only provoke more intense study and thought; there is a way—must be a way or the old Prophets have lied in the name of the Lord; there must have been a way by which Enoch made his efforts a success, there must be a way in which the conceptions of the Prophet Joseph and his successor Brigham will be vindicated and demonstrated before this—the people of God!

Whether this way has yet dawned on any mind, whether it will be made manifest to one or a few simultaneously (as many important things have been), or whether the first principles will still in the hearts of the people and then be developed by practice and experience, probably the few alone may know; the admission is general that change is "in the air," that there is a crisis approaching, an upheaval at the very door!