

stands at the foot of a hill in the full embrace of a genuine cactus grove, with rice fields on the lower side. The branch has also a Sunday school, Relief Society and a Mutual Improvement Association.

Makaweli-uka comprises the Saints residing on the Makaweli river about two miles above Makaweli proper. Kauhane is the president.

Hanapepe-uka (or upper Hanapepe) is a branch of the Church comprising the Saints residing on the Hanapepe river about three miles inland from the south coast of Kauai, in the district of Koloa.

The Wahiawa branch (formerly known as Hanapepe) consists of the Saints residing in the villages of Wahiawa and Hanapepe and the sugar plantation of Eleele. The village of Wahiawa—the place where the president of the branch, Palama resides, and where the meetings are held—is situated on the main road leading from Koloa to Waimea, being about six miles west of Koloa.

The Koloa branch, one of the largest branches in the Kauai conference, consists of the Saints residing in the town of Koloa, which is situated about two miles inland from the south coast of Kauai, about eleven miles southwest of Lihue. In the membership of this branch is included a number of natives imported from the Gilbert Islands to work on the Koloa sugar plantation. They were baptized by President Ekeka a few years ago, and they are undoubtedly the first natives who have embraced the fulness of the Gospel from that group. The Koloa branch has a good lumber meeting house, a Sunday school, a Relief Society and a Mutual Improvement Association.

The Hulaia branch consists of Saints living along a small stream and at the foot of that mountain chain which separates the district of Koloa from Lihue. Hulaia is about three miles inland and southwest from Nawiliwili bay and about the same distance from Lihue. The branch has a neat little lumber meeting house, 24x14 feet, built in January and February 1894, and dedicated February 25, 1894. There is also a Sunday school and a Relief Society; Kamikanihia presides over the branch.

The Lehue branch consists of the Saints residing in Lehue which is the principal town and place of business on the island of Kauai. This branch is an outgrowth of the neighboring branch of Kapaa and was organized March 4th, 1894 by Elders Albert J. Davis and George H. Fisher with Wilania Kamahai as president. The branch has also a Relief Society.

Kapaa branch another of the principal branches on Kauai, consists of the Saints residing in the town of that name which is situated in a deep and narrow valley nearly midway between the two large sugar mills of Lihue and Hanalei about two miles inland from the east coast of Kauai. The branch which at present has Palaina for president, has a meeting house and Sunday school. Near this place are the noted Waialua Falls. There are two of them. The lower falls are three miles from the mouth of the river (Waialua). They are about 80 feet high, and when the river is full of water they present a magnificent sight. The upper falls, on another branch of the river, and four and a half miles inland are not so high, but are very picturesque.

The Kealla branch comprises the

Saints residing in a scattered settlement of that name situated in the district of Kawaihau and about two miles inland from the landing place Kapaa, on the east coast of Kauai. The branch is presided over by Joseph W. Kehimui, whose hospitable house is one of the best homes the Elders have at present on the island. A meeting house, Sunday school, Relief society and Mutual Improvement Association also exist.

Papaa branch embraces the few Saints residing in an obscure locality about two miles inland from the Anahola bay, on the northeast coast of Kauai, in the district of Kawaihau.

The Kalihiwai (also called Hanapai) branch consists of the Saints residing in the native villages of Kalihiwai and Kalihiwai situated on the northeast coast of Kauai and some five or six miles east of Hanalei bay, in the district of Hanalei. The meetings are held at a place called Hanapai situated about midway between the two villages named. Apela is president.

Hanalei-uka is a small branch of the Church consisting of Saints residing along the Hanalei river, about three miles inland from Hanalei bay on the north coast of Kauai, in the district of Hanalei.

Waiohi or Waipa is a branch consisting of the Saints living in a scattered condition near the mouth of the Hanalei river on the north coast of Kauai and in the district of Hanalei, about five miles east of the Haena point. Kahelepu presides.

Wanaha branch consists of the Saints living in a somewhat scattered village of that name situated in a little valley on the north coast of Kauai, in the district of Hanalei. The village is about four miles southeast of Haena point.

Haena branch consists of a few Saints residing on the northern extremity of the island of Kauai, and about nine miles west of the Hanalei valley. Auka Pokana presides. The cliffs near Haena are very high, and contain a number of interesting caves, three of which are much noted and visited by many tourists.

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KOLOA, Kauai, H. I. July 13th, 1895.

### KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HAWESVILLE, Ky., Sept. 19, 1895.

The following report of our conference held in old "Kaintuck" may be of some interest to your many readers: On Friday, September 13th, Elders Elias S. Kimball, Stephen A. Smith and twenty of us Elders of the Kentucky conference, gathered together at Brother John Walker's near Hawesville, Hancock county, a pretty spot on the south bank of the Ohio river, where on the morrow was to be held conference. What a joyful lot of Elders we were at the thought of spending two or three days together, and what tales we had to tell of our experiences in the Kentucky forest! Yet our joy was mixed with a tinge of sadness at the thought that soon we would part for another year, and go two by two to our fields of labor.

Conference commenced at 10 o'clock September 14th, and two meetings were held that day, and the next day, Sunday, we held three meetings to large congregations of Saints and strangers; and the principles of the Gospel were spoken upon in systematic order by the Elders so that

the people might get a clear understanding of the Mormon faith. Elder J. O. J. Croshaw took upon the personality of God. Faith was taken up by Elders Martin, Pace, Stewart and Curtis. Elders Tanner, Naylor, Canfield and Richardson, repentance; Elders Blake and Field, baptism; Elders Cook and Spencer, the Holy Ghost; Elders Platt and Cutler, organization; Elder Merrill, authority; Elder Hanson, apostasy; Elder Ellsworth, restoration; Elder F. E. Alfred, Book of Mormon. Elder Smith said that the Gospel we preach today is the same Gospel that Christ and his Apostles taught; and he gave the Saints some good instruction. Elder Kimball gave a short history of Utah—its people—their wealth, education and progression. After our meeting and in the evenings we Elders got together and related our experiences. One of the Elders said: "One day my companion and I were walking along and it was so hot the perspiration was running off us in bucketfuls, and about ten o'clock it got so 'powerful hot' we could scarcely move. We came close to a new school house and the door was open, so we went in and Oh, how nice and cool it seemed! It was too hot to go outside so we decided not to try to get any dinner although very hungry. About 1 o'clock a gentleman came in and said they were going to hold an election there, so we thought we would stay all afternoon. Soon the house got well filled with men. After a number of men had voted one of the men who took down the votes got up, and after talking to a few gentlemen, came to us and asked us if we wouldn't hold a meeting and explain our religion to them. We told him we didn't want to disturb their voting, but he said they had plenty of time and that they didn't close the polls till 6. He called the men to order and told them a couple of Mormon parables would explain their religion to them. We held a good meeting—the men paid splendid attention."

Another Elder told the following: "One night we had been walking for some time and asked at two places for entertainment for the night and were refused on account of sickness. We then came to a small town and asked again and were refused and again and again we were refused with the same excuse. We enquired where the doctor lived and found him to be a genial, kind-hearted gentleman, and we spent the night with him. We remarked to him that there must be considerable sickness in the town. He said that to his personal knowledge there was not one sick person in town that night."

In traveling in Kentucky our Elders are treated well as a rule. The Elders report that after holding meetings they are often invited as many as four and five places to spend the night. The Kentucky people are hospitable.

Another Elder said: "We went to a church one night, and the preacher after talking for a time from the Bible began to get excited. He stood behind a pulpit about up to his waist. Soon he became more and more excited, calling, 'Come, get religion; come, get religion,' and throwing his arms about, and soon he flew (jumped) clear over the pulpit on to the floor."

Coming in conference my companion