

our time and substance for the interests of Zion and good purposes.

2 o'clock p. m.—Elder E. J. Pearson reported Vernon, Gustave Anderson the Grantsville ward, O. P. Bates the Batesville branch, and A. G. Johnson the Sunday schools of the Stake, showing the favorable condition of each and the good being accomplished. Special mention was made of the untiring energies and labors of the superintendents and teachers of the various Sabbath schools.

Elder A. H. Cannon, of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, spoke eulogistic of the Presidency and Saints generally of the Tooele Stake for their liberality and ready response to every requirement made upon them in the Church; he suggested a remedy to bring relief in the present financial stringency, advising union and care in families, and other matters of interest.

7 p. m.—An hour and a half was spent very profitably in listening to a discourse delivered by Elder Cannon on a variety of subjects designed to benefit the youth and those of riper years.

Monday, 10 a. m.—The statistical report of the Stake for the past six months was read by the secretary, when the authorities of the Church and the local officers of the Stake was presented and unanimously sustained.

Patriarch S. W. Woolley portrayed some of the blessings and privileges we enjoy, and exhorted fidelity to the truth and obedience to counsel.

S. E. Woolley reported his labors with the Kanakas on the Onang colony in teaching them to be self-sustaining.

Elder C. F. Richards spoke upon the importance of the Priesthood as delegated authority from God to act in his name. The necessity of a sanctity of life that we may enjoy the power and efficacy of our callings.

1 o'clock p. m.—Elder Gowans treated upon the advantages we possess through the inspirational and revelations of God, which teach us correctly the mind and will of our Father in all matters, if we live worthy of that blessing.

Elder A. H. Cannon referred to the work to be performed in our temple to redeem our kindred and friends, also denounced the practice and pernicious influences of infanticide that prevails in parts of the world and is sought to be introduced among the Latter-day Saints. He exhorted all to live in the light of the Spirit of God, to shun evil and practice the good.

Conference was adjourned for three months to meet at Grantsville.

The Tooele choir under the able leadership of Professor E. Beasley gave much interest and enjoyment to the services of our conference.

GEO. ATKIN, Secretary.

JUAB STAKE.

The quarterly conference of the Juab Stake of Zion was held in the Tabernacle, in Nephi city, October 28 and 29. There were present on the stand on the 28th Elders John Henry Smith of the council of the Apostles, the Stake Presidency, and Bishops. After the opening exercises, President Paxman greeted the Saints and expressed the joy he felt in seeing so many present at the beginning of conference. He dwelt upon the duties of the Saints and reminded them that

they had come out of the world to accomplish God's purposes. Exhorted them to observe Fast day, and to remember their offerings before the Lord, to observe the Word of Wisdom, and to prepare themselves for the future.

Bishop Parkes occupied the remainder of the time, speaking upon the blessings the Gospel has brought to the people.

At 2 p. m. Counselor James W. Paxman presented the General Church and Stake authorities, all of whom were unanimously sustained, as were also a number of Elders who had been called as special missionaries to visit in this Stake.

Bishop Loutssock, of Eurka, and Bishop Rasmussen of Levan reported their wards. In the former ward many of the Saints had been obliged to leave on account of being thrown out of employment and find homes in the settlements where living is cheaper. Both speakers stated that the people were striving to live their religion.

Elder John Henry Smith then delivered an excellent discourse upon the signs of the times, and pointed out the course that should be taken by the Latter-day Saints. Spoke of the present condition of the world and felt that the Lord is moving to accomplish His own purposes. The speaker referred to the necessity of the Saints becoming a self-sustaining people, that they may be an independent and not be the hewers of wood and drawers of water. God has restored the Gospel, and we have been warned to flee from the wrath to come. Fear and doubt are taking possession of the hearts of men. We are looking for judgments to come upon the earth, and the present is giving us a slight forecast of what can be done. The speaker closed by hearing a powerful testimony of the truth of the Gospel.

In the evening there was a general Priesthood meeting, where much valuable instruction was given by President Paxman and Elder John Henry Smith.

Sunday morning the Sabbath schools of the Stake held their conference.

At 1:30 p. m. President Paxman called the Stake conference to order. The Tabernacle was filled to overflowing. After singing and prayer Elder John Henry Smith addressed the conference. He referred to the different ideas entertained by the human family in regard to this life and the life to come, and spoke of the late religious congress held in Chicago. There all denominations were allowed to expound and present their doctrines except the Latter-day Saints. Elder Smith's remarks were timely, and were listened to with close attention.

Elders James W. and William Paxman exhorted the Saints to be faithful to their duties.

The choir under the able leadership of Professor F. W. Chappelly never sang more sweetly, and too much can not be said in their praise.

D. K. BROWN,
Stake Clerk.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE.

The Middle Tennessee conference held Saturday and Sunday, October

14 and 15, on Mine Lick, eleven miles northeast of Smithville, will long be remembered with joy by the Elders and Saints who had come from far and near to participate in the spiritual feast. There were present Elder J. Golden Kimball, mission president, Elder George A. Smith, from the Chattanooga office; Elders W. W. Bean, conference president, Benjamin Gardner, Riley G. Williams, H. L. Hunter, George S. McAllister, Don C. Rushton, Henry Smedley, J. H. Thomas, A. Y. Duke and Heber C. Iverson. Among the Saints who were present were: Joseph McKee, familiarly known to the Elders who are traveling now or have traveled at any time through this locality during the past forty years as "Uncle Joe;" for as he humorously remarked, "I have been a father and an uncle to the Mormon Elders for forty years past;" also Henry Bartlett, son and daughter, Sister Edo Young and daughter, "Grandma" Thompson, Felix Vaughn, Isaac Bazarth, Robert Davis, Sisters Martha Buck, Francis Lafever, Calvin Sherrill, Jordan Sherrill and families, John Watson and family. The unlimited kindness, hospitality of Saints and friends toward the Elders, visiting members of the Church, and the numerous friends who were in attendance can never be forgotten.

Saturday's meetings were fairly well attended. On Sunday the house was packed to overflowing. Many stood by open doors and windows listening attentively to the instructions given. Each Elder dwelt briefly upon one of the fundamental principles of the Gospel plan of salvation. Powerful discourses were delivered by President Kimball and Elder Smith, in which they very impressively portrayed the position of the Latter-day Saints, tracing their history since the Church organization. The discourses were listened to with interest. The people felt at the close of conference, that they had received an hundred old men return for their trouble in coming to the meetings, some of them from a considerable distance.

The reports were encouraging, showing over thirty baptisms since last conference.

Many people who were once bitterly opposed to the Saints are becoming interested, and beginning to investigate the doctrines of the Gospel.

The Elders lose no opportunity to raise the warning voice and spread the Gospel truths.

By request a meeting was held in the Smithville court house on Monday night following the conference. Smithville is the county seat of De Kalb county. Appropriate remarks were made by President Kimball and Elder George A. Smith. An unexpected, and therefore the more highly appreciated, reception was tendered the Elders as they were about to retire. This was a serenade by the Smithville string band, who came, were invited into our room, and played several beautiful selections.

The following appointments were made at our last council meeting: Elders W. W. Bean and J. H. Thomas, to labor in De Kalb and White counties; Elders Riley G. Williams and A. Y. Duke to labor in Van Buren county; Elders Benjamin Gardner and George