

may be given from time to times through the Holy Priesthood. We are to-day a kingdom of Priests holding to a very all of our actions. The Seventies, for instance-that is, those who unmore than their duty, which is in to them, their calling being to preach the gospel to every creature the world over. Then the High Priests have certain duties to perform, and if they are in an organized condi-"No man has a legal right to this tion, as the people of this Stake are, for instance, their duties are to prepare themselves for certain events that may transpire and to be learn-ing to preside. For the duties of have been in all ages of the world to preside. So says the Doctrine and Covenants, extracts from which because a man is a High Priest that he should necessarily preside until he is called to fulfil some of the hood. duties and responsibilities devolving upon that Priesthood. And it is the duty of a President of the High Priests to get the members of his quorum under him together and to the hands of this Presidency; otherinstruct them as to the duties of the wise they are not legally authorized Presidency, so that in the event of to officiate in their Priestliood. any being called, say, to occupy the any being called, say, to occupy the office of one of the Twelve Apostles who are High Priests, they would be prepared to enter upon such duty; or that in case they should be called to preside over a Stake, they would be prepared to enter upon the duties of that office; or if they should be call-

cupy here upon the earth. apply to his quorum to obtain their mind in regard to it; and when this course is adopted everything moves on harmoniously. Now, for instance, here is Bro. Erastus Snow, he and Now, I will read to you from the dom of Priests holding to a very great extent the Holy Priesthood; and it is essential that we submit ourselves to the laws of that Priest-due time of the Lord, other Bishops hood and be governed by them in to be set apart, in the Church, to minister even according to the first. Wherefore they shall be High on hand at any time to go to all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. That would be no more than their duty which is not be to be the priests who are worthy, and they shall be appointed by the First Presidency of the Melchisedek Priesthood, except they be literal descendants of Aaron. If they be keeping with the command of God the literal descendants of Aaron throughout those regions of country to them. And as to whether they they have a legal right to the there are Presidents, and these Prelive in hot or cold countries is really | Bishopric, if they are the first-born a matter of very little importance among the sons of Aaron; for the first-born holds the right of the

Stakes are organized. Bro. Snow informs me there are two Stakes. He and Brother Brigham go clothed upon with the authority of the First Presidency to regulate, "No man has a legal right to this to set in order, and counsel in all office, to hold the keys of this Priest- matters pertaining to the interests

hood, except he be a literal descend- of that people. Wherever they may ant of Aaron. "But as a High Priest of the Melchisedek Priesthood has authority to the Melchisedek High Priesthood officiate in all the lesser offices, he in all of their acts. Because the may officiate in the office of a Bish-op when no literal descendant of Aaron can be found, provided he is Church are being extended, and we I may read to you. But it is not called and set apart and ordained are growing larger all the time; and

"But by virtue of the decree con-

to him, it would be his privilege to

Bro. Brigham Young, under the counsel and direction of the First Presidency, will shortly take a mis-sion into the southern portions of the Church, in Colorado and Arizona, must take the whole thing to ascerand, perhaps, in New Mexico, to look after the interests of the comtain what is intended, and rightly divine the word of truth. munity there. Over the settlements

"The Presidency of the High Priesthood, after the order of Melchisedek, have a right to officiate in sidents preside over Stakes where all the offices in the church."

Now, will you show me an office, or calling, or daty, or responsibility, temporal or spiritual, that does not come under this statement? From this I think this Presidency have

something to do with the Bishops go, no matter who presides, we should expect them to regard their counsel, and be governed by them are growing larger all the time; and Zion will continue to grow until the kingdoms of our God and his Christ, and that as a matter of continue to grow until the Melchisedek Priesthood, have a Elder. I presided over a traveling

right to officiate in their own stand- the churches in that district of counand that as a matter of course means that if this is the kingdom of

and incorrect ideas conveyed. We shall flow unto thee for ever and I feel in my heart to say, God bless wer." the young men and young women What a beautiful state of things of Israel; let it be the desire of your ever."

the Melchisedek Priesthood and spi-ritual things, and with all things pertaining to the interests and well-iare of Zion. That is the way I un-derstand these fmatters. I could never very elaborately into these questions, but I do not purpose to do the with all things in the analytic the interests and well-interests and Deacons, all of whom interests and the set interests and well-interests and the set interests and the set interests and well-interests and the set interests and the set interests and well-interests and the set interests and well-interests and the set interests and the set interest interests and what should they do? I will tell you a circumstance that yout of Israel will rise up and call is there not being time. But this took place with me upwards of 40 you blessed.

best of teachers, men and women of it was because, as a revelation teach-intelligence and education who are es, some of the blood of Cain being, under the direction of the Presi- try. A difficulty existed in a branch means that if this is the kingdom of God and the Priesthood is the repre-sentation of that kingdom, the pro-per authorities of the holy Priest-hood, wherever they go to represent the Priesthood, must be respected in their position; and as these brether represent the First Presidency where they are going, they must be respected and their counsels adhered Now if that would be proper for bost. Now if that would be proper for besthood. The Shows a stake organiza-Now if that would be proper for besthood. Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthood. Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthood. Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthoes Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthoes Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthoes Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for besthoes Shows and Brother Bris. Now if that would be proper for ately into detail.

When we have a Stake organiza-tion, as you have here, the Presi-dency of the Stake presides over all saints. At that time I did not have I

the right of presidency, and has power and authority over all the offices in the Church in a l ages of the world, to administer in spiritual things." "Well," say you, "I thought that; things." "Well," say you, "I thought that; that has been my idea, the Bishops should have all the temporal things to attend to." We will read a little further. It is by taking up little odd texts that mistakes are often made through it Cain lost his privilege as first born, and the blessing feil on one more worthy, and the rights of the ordinance called the Passover, ever." What a beautiful state of things God presents to us! Shall we try to hearts to initate the virtues of your parents and of all good men and parents and of all good men and parents and of all good men and spirits pure before God and man. Then, we have our Sunday Schools in this direction are doing a them. Them. we have our to collect the best talent them. The presents to us! Shall we try to and pursue our own course? These true, and they are principles which them. The presents of the solution are doing a the presents to us and of all good men and spirits pure before God and man. Then, we have our Sunday Schools and many of our brethren and is-them. Them are are of the them. The presents of the solution are doing a the presents to the next to preserve in the the lord passed to the next of Adam, which according to Bible record was Seth, who magni-fied the Priesthood, honored his birth-right, and held! the blessing of the Priesthood, which was seeled to the priesthood, which was seeled the tribes of Israel the house of Levy, that time forward, of which that time forward, of which the tribes of Israel the beginning. We see

something to do with the Bishops and temporal things as well as with the Melchisedek Priesthood and spi-ritual things, and with all things Noah and his sons, of which sons Shem received the blessings per-taining to the priesthood. Abra-who loved righteousness and hated ham came through Shem, and the iniquity, and was therefore chosen Savior came through this lineage; and anointed with the oil of gladness above his fellows So in after years, is the position they occupy. "High Priests, after the order of the time, and was a traveling the Melchisedek Priesthood, have a Elder. I presided over a number of the Melchisedek Priesthood, have a principles of virtue, integrity and righteousness had these rights connot only moral, but good Latter-day came mingled with that of Ham's firmed upon him. But in no case,

