

battered upon the rocks as the swift current washed them down.

The other lads who saw what had occurred were terrified. They realized that it would mean death to them to follow the Pearsons, so some kept track of the drowning boys as best they could, while others hurried down to a cabin below, where Mr. C. E. Ellis was working.

Mr. Ellis responded quickly to the call for help, and hastened up the stream. Soon he came to where one of the bodies was being carried down. He jumped in and quickly had it out of the water. This was at 12:45, within ten minutes from the time of the accident. The other body had vanished from sight previously.

The body recovered proved to be that of the younger boy, James Brown Pearson. It was badly bruised by being struck against the rocks in the creek bed. The blows were sufficient to cause death, and it is likely the boy was knocked unconscious almost immediately after falling into the stream.

The alarm was spread quickly, and in a very short time a large number of searchers were eagerly scanning the creek channel for the other boy, Henry Clark Pearson, who had given his life in an effort to save his brother. News were spread across the creek, and it was known definitely that the body had not reached the waterworks. It was supposed to be lodged somewhere among the bushes that line the creek, and every nook and cranny was scanned by the searchers this afternoon.

Undertaker Joseph Wm. Taylor was notified from the waterworks, and went up the canyon and took care of the body that was found.

The mother of the boys died about two years ago. Their father was at work at the News office when the sad news came. At first it was said the accident was in Parley's canyon, and he knew his boys were not there; but when a later message gave the location as City Creek, he realized the nature of the awful accident, and was distracted with grief. He immediately repaired to the scene of the fatality, which is the most severe one of the kind that has occurred here in years. The lads were bright, active boys.

Henry Mark Pearson, the 11-year-old lad who lost his own life in the attempt to save that of his younger brother by jumping into City Creek on Saturday, was taken from the seething, icy stream Sunday afternoon at 3:20, his body being recovered after having laid in the water for twenty-seven hours. The body was found in close proximity to where little James Elliott Pearson was drawn to the banks the day before. The unfortunate and sorrowing father was present at the time of the recovery and was almost crazed with grief at the sight of his dead son.

The body was found by a force of men under the direction of Superintendent Wallace of the waterworks department. It had lodged against a plank and portion of a tree and was drawn out by grappling hooks.

The remains were conveyed to the waterworks where they were taken charge of by the undertaker and

brought to the city and placed beside those of the brother.

Little Henry's heroic act has brought out the fact that he was an ardent admirer and an enthusiastic reciter of heroic deeds. For instance, a school a few days ago he was called upon for a declamation and in response gave Paul Revere's Ride in a manner that thrilled his auditors and clearly proved how strong a hold the spirit of the famous incident had taken upon his mind. This, it is said, is only one of many such exhibitions. With a knowledge of this characteristic so prominently displayed, it is not difficult to understand how the little hero plunged into the turbid stream to save his brother's life, without stopping to count the cost or contemplate the chances he was taking. May his brave deed never be forgotten by his schoolmates and friends.

PROMISES TO COME TO UTAH

WASHINGTON, May 10.—By appointment a large delegation of Western senators, representatives and prominent men called upon the President just before 10 o'clock this morning to invite him to attend the semi-centenary celebration of the founding of Salt Lake City, Utah. There were among the callers Senators Cannon, Rawlins, Shoup, Perkins, White, Warren, Carter and Wilson; Representative King, Delegate Mark Smith, Judge Batock and P. H. Lannan, proprietor of the Salt Lake Tribune.

The President received the visitors cordially and had them shown into the cabinet room (rather an unusual courtesy) and seated at the cabinet table.

Mr. Lannan presented the invitation to the celebration plainly but neatly engrossed on one large sheet of parchment paper bearing at the top a representation of a buffalo skull which formerly dotted the plains in every direction and were used by the pioneers as sign boards for the benefit of other travelers. On this skull was the inscription "The pioneers camped here June 3rd, 1497; all well; made 15 miles today. Brigham Young."

The invitation itself began with the statement that the delegation had come in the name of the people of Utah and the whole inter-mountain country to urge the President to visit the State on the 24th of next July, the fiftieth anniversary of the entrance of the Pioneers into the valley of Great Salt Lake. The formal invitation was read and then the members of the delegation added strong verbal requests that the President should make the trip this summer to Utah. McKinley expressed a strong desire to accept the invitation. It would not, however, he said, be possible now to make engagements so far in advance, but he would promise to attend the celebration if, at the time set, Congress was not in session and the state of public business would permit.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

MARMADUKE, N. C.,
May 1st, 1897.

I have been engaged as travelling Elder in the "Old North State" for

the seemingly short space of twenty months, during which time my experience has assumed a varied character. For the first year my labors were confined to the new fields of Balding, Cumberland and Vance counties, where I found many friends and assisted in allaying a great deal of prejudice.

Immediately after conference, which was held in July last, I was assigned to labor with Elder A. J. Holt in the county of Granville, where I labored exclusively until two months ago, when I was assigned to travel with B. R. Smith to the counties of Granville, Vance and Warren, where I am still laboring.

Notwithstanding the extreme heat of the solar rays, on entering our field after conference we met with a very cold reception from the people. Public opinion was against us, and prejudice and superstition reigned supreme in the minds of the people. Having to contend with the base falsehoods circulated from the pulpit and the slanderous articles of the press, we found it very difficult to get an opening for active work. We pressed on with a determination to banish from our vocabulary all such words as "can't," and "fail," and with the help of God to search out the honest-in-heart residing in our territory.

Thus far we have proved for ourselves that God lives and that He has an interest in the labors of His servants. Through His blessings we have been successful in making many friends, and in removing from the minds of the people many false ideas concerning Utah and her people.

Our labors have been crowned with success; since January 1st we have baptized six honest souls, and the prospects are favorable for as many more in the near future.

I am enjoying the best of health—a blessing for which I am truly grateful, and I feel to thank God that I have been privileged to come forth and serve as an instrument to His hands in carrying the glad tidings of the Gospel to those who know nothing of its heavenly grandeur.

Generally speaking, too much cannot be said for the people of North Carolina, for they are especially noted for their hospitality and kindness to strangers; and no one will ever attempt to say that they will not receive their reward for their kindness to the Mormon Elders.

JOHN M. ANDERSON.

THE EUROPEAN MISSION.

[Millennial Star, April 2.]

Appointment.—Elder Theodore C. Best, who has been assisting in the office of the mission at 42 Islington, Liverpool, has been appointed to labor as a traveling Elder in the Cheltenham conference.

Change of address.—On Monday, the 26th inst., the headquarters of the Norwich conference were moved from the old quarters at No. 1 Julian street, Chapel Field road. The new address is No. 114 Old Palace road, Norwich.

In canning cold meats pains must be taken to have the slices thin and delicate, but not so attenuated as to break in the sewing.