

all to take up the burdens of tomorrow with a lighter heart and a warm appreciation of the safe return of our brother to his family and friends, whose numbers are legion.

The ball and reception were given under the auspices of the good sisters of the Relief Society, ably assisted by Bishop W. W. Willis. Great credit is due the committee for their able management, nothing occurring to mar in the slightest degree what was pronounced by all present to be a delightful evening. JOHN M. DUNNING.

### SUNDAY SERVICES.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Sunday, November 11, at 2 p.m., Elder Angus M. Cannon, President of the Stake, presiding.

The choir sang the hymn commencing:

Glorious things of Thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God!  
He whose word cannot be broken,  
Chose thee for His own abode.

Prayer was offered by Elder Joseph W. Keddington, after which the choir sang the anthem:

O, come let us sing unto the Lord.

Elder Angus M. Cannon then addressed the congregation. He referred to the principles of the Gospel as taught by the Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Savior himself and quoted the promise of the latter unto His disciples as He sent them forth to teach the people the Truth that great spiritual manifestations would follow their work of righteousness. The sick would be healed, the blind be made to see, the deaf to hear, the dumb to speak and the halt to leap and walk and praise God. These things were done in the name of our Heavenly Father. They were fruits of the Gospel—the only Gospel. There is but one Gospel recognized by God and whosoever will teach another will come under condemnation. Christ suffered for all. His atonement embraced all humanity. As Adam all died, so in Christ should all be made alive. The Gospel which the speaker referred to was the one John saw being carried through space by a celestial messenger and which was to save men by their obedience to it. After this message had been received, a voice was heard crying, "Come out of her, O ye my people, that ye partake not of her sins and receive not of her plagues." That was an ever-living warning to the Latter-day Saints.

The speaker then recited how Joseph Smith, the boy Prophet, like Cornelius and other men of righteousness had prayed to God and received light and truth. As he was made a messenger of life and salvation, he was told that his name should be had for good and evil among the nations of the earth. Incidents confirming the divine authenticity of the Book of Mormon as they had come under the personal experience of the speaker were enumerated. Prominent among them was the constant and undying testimony of David Whitmer. The time of the coming of the Son of man was not far distant. The Saints should see to it that they not only had their lamps in readiness but that they were trimmed and burning. They should let their light so shine that all men could see their

good works and imitate their examples. The present is a day of warning and not of many words, and we should govern ourselves accordingly. No matter what degree of Priesthood a man may hold, it will benefit him nothing unless he magnifies it and is faithful unto it. Parents were cautioned not to be too lax with their children but to guard them as precious treasures, and teach them to lead lives that would insure them salvation in the presence of God.

The choir sang the anthem,  
Israel's sons with one accord.  
Benediction was offered by Elder George P. Wallace.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

The annual conference of the Weber Stake Sunday school convened at 10 a. m. Saturday in the Tabernacle at Ogden. There were present of the superintendency of the Union, Supt. George Goddard, Karl G. Maeser and Secy. John M. Whittaker, and also of the superintendency of Weber Stake Ricard Ballantyne and L. F. Mouch. Supt. Goddard made a few remarks on the growth of the Sunday school work and the importance of Sunday school conferences. Secretary Whittaker dwelt upon the value and importance of statistics; also the necessity for home preparation for class work, and the power of example. Reports were given by a number of the wards.

Elder Karl G. Maeser spoke about Sunday school methods and the difference between mere intellectual work and him who teaches through force of example and enters into his work with soul and heart.

At the afternoon session the time was occupied with class recitations and remarks by Stake Superintendent Ballantine and Elder Karl G. Maeser.

On Sunday morning President George Q. Cannon was present. The Tabernacle was very uncomfortably crowded and a large number could not obtain admission. After some class exercises Brother Whittaker spoke of the advantages of the young compared with those of their parents. Parents should not neglect their children, but in the home circle teach them to pray, rather than leave them to be taught in Sunday school to pray. Remarks were made by Superintendent Goddard and Elder Karl G. Maeser.

At the afternoon session the Sacrament was administered. An exercise was rendered by members of the Third ward school conducted by Brother E. Anderson. An essay was read by Miss Agie Herrick entitled "Personal Influence of Sunday School Teachers."

After remarks of a general character by Superintendent Ballantine, Brother Kerr read an essay entitled "Preparation of a Sunday School Teacher."

President Geo. Q. Cannon occupied the rest of the time.

He dwelt in a very interesting and profitable manner upon subjects connected with Sunday school work.

### THE GOLD IN SNAKE RIVER CANYON

[Chicago Record.]

There is said to be gold enough in the Snake river canyon, Idaho, to pay the national debt, but it is very difficult

to reach. The stream plows through the richest gold belt of Montana and Idaho, and wherever the miners have been able to reach the sand or gravel they have secured rich results. Thirty years ago the amphitheater around the Shoshone falls was a lively mining camp, and more than \$100,000 of gold dust was washed out there. There is a little beach just above the falls covered with several feet of fine sand. It is about 200 feet long and 60 feet broad. There, in 1863, Tom Cavanaugh and Pat Garrity washed out more than \$4,000 in a few weeks, and several years later some Chinamen went over the same sand again and found half as much more. All the way up and down the canyon, in every nook and corner, wherever the sand has lodged among the bottoms of the war-like cliffs, the miners worked on flat-boats, and some rich deposits were discovered. In one place, where the current strikes with full force, a pocket containing several hundred dollars was washed out in a single day. This demonstrates, as the miners claim, that the silent river is "loaded with gold," but its perils are great, for the current is so swift and treacherous that a boat is easily carried over the falls.

So far as known, there has been but one disaster of this kind. Tom Bell, a miner who lived in a cave with two Chinamen, was coming down the stream in a boat some years ago when one of his oars broke, and although he struggled desperately the other was not sufficient to carry it ashore. The Chinamen leaped into the water, hoping, it is supposed, to find safety upon one of the rocks above the falls, but Bell, when he saw that destruction was certain, stood upright in his little boat, folded his arms and looked death squarely in the face.

His body was recovered a few days later several miles below, and after a month or more the corpse of Mon Su, one of the Chinamen, was found in some driftwood that had lodged only a few hundred yards under the falls. He had \$1,600 in gold dust on his person, and his bones were sent across the ocean to be buried with those of his fathers. A man was paid \$175 to carry the coffin in a cart to the nearest station on the Union Pacific railway. The body of the other Chinaman was never found.

One of Boise's young commercial men, says the *Statesman*, is reported to have gotten into trouble in Boise county. He was soliciting for his house, and it is alleged, he sold several articles outright. A Placerville merchant, learning he had no license, had him arrested. He was taken to Idaho City where he very reluctantly dropped something like \$100 in the county exchequer.

A dispatch from Cripple Creek, Colorado, says the latest big find made in camp is a bonanza. Returns from the first carload shipment of ore, eleven tons, went \$4.96 ounces, or at the rate of \$1,699.20 per ton. The shaft is down only thirty feet. The vein is well defined and the pay streak two and a half feet in width. Another carload of ore from the Portland, shipped a few days ago assays \$1080 per ton.