

on Bergen and the west coast. The commerce there is completely in the hands of the Germans. The pictures of Kaiser William and the imperial German family are seen in the store windows just as often as the pictures of the Swedish sovereigns.

"I know that some people will tell me that all this is of no importance; that the Norwegians only like the German emperor because he visits their country every year and in his little speeches says: 'The dear Norway.'"

"For my part, however, I fully believe that Norway knows that her coasts, with harbors free from ice the year around, must tempt powerful neighbors—all who have interest in coming out from the Baltic. Afraid of becoming completely isolated, Norway accustoms herself to regard Germany as a natural protector. Sweden, monarchical, aristocratic and traditional, has, on the contrary, a predilection for our race and civilization, which feeling she does not conceal."

Mr. Hugues Le Roux concludes his article with the following words:

"Such are the sympathies which any Frenchman can collect in those northern countries. Shall we be foolish enough to offend—by lack or tact—a sovereign who has always treated us nobly?"

A few of the causes which have occasioned emigration may be mentioned: Far distant from the trade centres of the world of vast extent and in want of capital, Sweden, notwithstanding her many rich products of nature, has been unable to proceed to that division of labor and mass production which nowadays is called for as speedily as other countries, which have a more favorable situation, are more densely populated, and possess a greater number of capitalists. During the lengthy transition that has ensued Sweden could not but suffer from a competition with those nations, a competition which, at all events for the time being, has proved itself overpowering. Another factor of great importance is the difficulty experienced by the Swedish farm laborer, to which class the bulk of emigrants belong, in attaining the position of land owner, a position which he hopes to acquire in the New World. These are probably the essential reasons why several hundred thousand Swedes during recent decades, have been obliged to seek a sphere of activity abroad, which they could not attain at home, or, which at all events, did not offer them those economical advantages which nowadays a man demands of his work.

Increased developments of industry and social conditions will, perhaps, by degrees render emigration unnecessary, and thus realize the thought usually expressed in Sweden by the words "bring America to Sweden."

ST. JOSEPH STAKE CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the St. Joseph Stake convened Sunday and Monday, December 10th and 11th, at Pima. The conference was presided over by Counselor William L. Johnson, President Christopher Layton being sick and unable to attend. There was a good representation of the laborers in the Stake.

Sunday, 10 a. m.—The Bishops of the various wards gave satisfactory reports as to the spiritual and temporal

condition of the people. All are doing well, and have sufficient grain to last until the coming harvest.

At 1 p. m., after the administering of the Sacrament, Elder John Sims, superintendent of the Sunday schools, reported them to be in a flourishing condition, but felt there was a slackness on the part of the teachers and parents. The remainder of the afternoon was taken up by Elders P. C. Merrill and Benjamin Cluff. They bore a faithful testimony to the truthfulness of the work in which we are engaged, that they were acquainted with the Prophet Joseph, and the travels of the Latter-day Saints up to the present time; also referred to and they exhorted the Saints to prepare their hearts for the coming events that are about to take place; that we must be united before returning to build up the new Jerusalem.

Monday at 10 a. m., after the opening exercises, Elders Henry Boyle, Wm. D. Johnson and Morgan H. Merrill spoke upon the duties of the Latter-day Saints in the Stake, and tried to impress upon the minds of the Saints the necessity of being true to their covenants and prompt in doing that which is required of them, whether in paying tithes, building temples, academies or giving to help the poor, in all of which we should be liberal.

At 1 p. m. the clerk read the statistical report of the Stake and then presented the general and local authorities who were unanimously sustained. The remainder of the time was occupied by Elder George Cluff, who spoke at length upon educational affairs, and tried to instill into the minds of the young the necessity of educating themselves—that there was no excuse for any of them not having an education if they would attend the various institutions that are offered them at the present time, so much different to that of our fathers, etc.

The weather was fair and we all felt that we had had a good time during conference. F. W. MOODY, Stake Clerk.

James Davis, a former merchant of San Pedro, Santa Fe county, N. M., but for some time clerk in a store at Cerillos, shot and killed himself Wednesday morning. He was formerly from St. Joe, Mo., where he has relatives. No cause can be assigned for the deed except that he was in debt and could not see his way clear.

OBITUARY NOTES.

HANNAH G. PERKINS.

A private telegram from St. George states that Mrs. Hannah G. Perkins, widow of the late Patriarch Wm. G. Perkins, died there at 11:50 last night. Mrs. Perkins was one of the "old timers" of Salt Lake City, and was well and favorably known here. She moved with her husband to St. George in 1861 when that place was first settled, being among those first called to go there.

Mrs. Perkins was a woman of refinement and education who gave up iridions and luxury in England many years ago for the Gospel's sake. She came to Utah in early times and passed through many trials peculiar to those days, but her faith in and integrity to the Gospel principles were unwavering to the day of her death. She was engaged for many years as a worker

in the St. George Temple, and only desisted when failing health prevented a continuance of such labors. The deceased was in her eighty-sixth year.

MRS. BARNEY RILEY.

Undertaker Charles Skewes went up to Park City today to bring back with him for interment tomorrow, the body of Mrs. Barney Riley, who died from consumption yesterday. The deceased was thirty-two years of age, and leaves a husband and three children to mourn her death. She was the daughter of Sexton Wright of the Mount Olivet cemetery of this city.

HANNAH T. GROVER.

At Loa, Wayne county, Utah, Dec. 15, 1893, occurred the death of Hannah Tupper Grover. She was born in Parishville, St. Lawrence county, New York, March 23, 1823, and was married to Thomas Grover Dec. 17, 1844, by President Brigham Young. She was the mother of fifteen children, twelve of whom have preceded her to the spirit world.

Sister Grover embraced the Gospel in her youth, and shared in the hardships and privations of the Saints at Nauvoo; and at the time of their expulsion she crossed the river on the ice with a six weeks' old babe at her breast. She came to Utah with her husband in 1847, and settled soon after at Farmington, Davis county, where she resided until 1871, moving from there to Nephi, Juab county, where she made her home for about twenty years, and then came to Loa to join her children. She was always an ardent worker in the Relief Society and Mutual Improvement causes, and for many years presided over the Young Ladies in the Juab Stake of Zion. She has also labored as a worker in the Logan Temple for about eighteen months, from whence she was called by President Woodruff to labor in the Manti Temple as long as she lived. For the last three years failing health has prevented her attending her duties in that respect, about one-third of which time she has been confined to her room. Her faith in the Gospel was unwavering and she died in the hope of a glorious resurrection.

She was buried on the forty-ninth anniversary of her wedding day, leaving behind her two sons and a daughter and numerous grand-children to mourn her loss, besides a host of friends who, while regretting her death, console themselves with the fact that her life has been spent in usefulness, and that their loss is her gain.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

Downs.—At Nephi, December 16th, 1893, Ruben John Downs, of bronchitis; born December 6th, 1835, at Fisherton, England. He leaves a wife, three sons and five daughters. He lived and died an honorable man, much esteemed by all who knew him, and a Latter-day Saint.

Wickel.—Richard Wickel, of Echo, Utah, December 16th, 1893. He was born July 9th, 1825, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and emigrated to Utah in 1862, with Warehime's company, was a member of the Church since infancy and was with the exodus from Nauvoo; was an associate of the Prophet Joseph Smith to the time of his assassination, also guarded the remains of the Prophet after his death. He leaves a widow and seven children.

Peterson.—Died at Fairview, Sanpete, on Dec. 4, 1893, Sarah, the beloved wife of Bishop James C. Peterson, and daughter of Jonathan Brown and Sarah Cousins, born Sept. 1, 1846, England. Came to Utah with her parents in the year 1853. She was the mother of nine children, five of them, three sons and two daughters, living to mourn her departure. She passed away peacefully realizing that her time had come, and giving directions herself how she wished her funeral conducted. She was loved and respected by all who knew her.