

as one after the other gave in his report and bore his testimony. The reports from the various fields of

Labor were very gratifying. Last week we had the privilege of baptizing two ladies; it was necessary to break the ice to perform the ordi-nance. About five hundred people wit-person the baptize nance. About five I nessed the baptism.

Below is an extract from a letter that was written by a sister who has not been a member of our Church quite five months:

"Oh, when I think of how I was; that I was born blind, raised blind, and would have died blind, if God in His infinite mercy had not sent His servants they expected it to be, that they have to open my eyes to the knowledge of a true and living God! One that would would love and bless those that would accept the true and everiasting Gospel as preached by the inspired servants of Jesus Christ. I feel to rejoice in this new-found light! When 1 get to talk-ing obset this are service that my ing about this new treasure that my Father has trusted me with, I feel like L would like to tell it so loud, that it would awaken the whole slumbering world to a sense of their duty."

Elder Jos. A. Ence was honorably re leased to return to his home in Rich-field. All the Elders are in the en-joyment of good health, and feeling well spiritually. The "News" is the best "Mormon paper." There is none heater

publications, and sensational stories about "Mormons," written and circulated for the purpose of deceiving the people. This has had the effect of creating much prejudice in the minds of the people, many of whom will not lis-ten to reason, having made up their minds by the reading or hearing the stories on one side of the question without ever stopping to consider that there

There seems to be an understanding between ministers and trustees of churches, to not allow "Mormon" Elders to preach in any of the public buildings, churches or school houses. Some people say to us: "You will not get any churches in this county to preach in." We tell them it is a privilege that is offered them, of hearing the Gospel preached now, for after we leave, it may be a long time before another chance is given them. Last week we applied for and were refused six churches. But we find a few people who were willing to listen to our message. We also find many kind, hospitable people, who are willing to entertain the servants of God, and minister unto them. The "News" is a welcome visitor, and is anxiously looked for. The people in Zion should mail their papers to friends in the East, after they have read them,



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At 2 p. m. conference reassembled and remarks were made by the ingoing offi-cers. Elder Page also addressed the sisters sisters. The early settlers were banquetted at

the opera house yesterday. The correspondent says further: The weather is unusually warm for this time of the year and farmers are anticipating

a very dry summer as a consequence. SPEAKING WELL OF THE PEOPLE

Elders Find the Texans Hospitable and Kind.

Elders Orin Karlchner and Harry H. Bowler send these items from Texas, in a letter dated February 23rd:

We have been laboring in Morris county since January 2nd and we have not heard an oath in sixteen months. We say this to some of our boys, who are breaking the fifth commandment of God. We have been treated with the highest respect, and made friends long to be remembered. Some have asked us to pray for them, some nave given us money. We have held fifteen meetings at Iron Bluff, three at Key Springs, nine at Rocky Branch Church and Bridge's school house, without the least disturbance. People of the South are very hospitable and religiously inclined. There are some cases of smallpox in parts of the county. Our Father has had parental care over us in directing us to a warm friend, where we are now enjoying a good fire and shelter. May God bless and reward such. We wish the "News" success and rajoice in perusing its pages.

STAKE CONFERENCES.

Bingham Stake.

Conference convened at Lewisville vard, Sunday, Feb, 10th and 11th, 1901, There were present on the stand, Apos-tle Rudger Clawson, Elder Jos, W. Mc-Murrin, Elder Jos, E. Stule, Stake Pres-ident Stone, High Council and Bishops, Elder Jos, W. McMurrin was the first speaker. He was followed by Elder R.

Clawson. Elder Steele gave a very instructing and good report of the condition of the Stake.

Brief ward reports were made by a ew of the Bishops present.

sia Stake convened at Oakley, Feb. 9th and 10th, Elder William F. Jack presid-Apostle Clawson spoke of the duties of Stake presidents. Said that it was an exalted calling and that it was very ing necessary for the Stake presidency to the Stake presidency, a number of the High Council, four Patriarchs, and Bishops of all the wards except Almo be united

Elder McMurrin bore his testimony to the divine mission of Joseph Smith and exhorted all to honor the Priesthood they held. Apostle Clawson bore testithey held. mony that the Spirit of God had been with us during the sessions of conference and spoke of record keeping and other subjects. Bishop A. J. Stanger, of Iona, was ordained and set apart as second counselor to Elder Steele in place of Jos. S. Miller, who had been re-leased on account of sickness. Chas. W. Rockwood was also set apart as Bishop on Iona Stanger. Iona ward, in place of Brother

Young Men's Mutual Improvement As-sociations. Sister Levina Bates gave a Elder Clawson spoke of the evils of saloon visiting and the danger a man brief report of the Relief societies of the Stake, Elder Ether Durfee reportin visiting such places, who held vas in, ed the High Priests' quorum as being in the Priesthood.

Elder Steele made a few closing re-marks. Conference adjourned for three MOSES WRIGHT, months. Stake Clerk. Harper was the next speaker. He

San Juan Stake.

Fruitland, New Mexico, Feb. 18 .- The quarterly conference of the San Juan Stake was held at Fruitland, New mon, 27th verse. Elder Thomas Sumner writes from Mexico, on the 16th and 17th of February, Elders Wm, Halls and Wayne Redd, counselors to the Stake president, The Leeds conference is in a flourishpresiding. We were favored with the presence of Apostles Brigham Young ing condition. Since our last semi-anand Mathias F. Cowley. On Saturday afternoon Elder Cowley delivered to a packed house a discourse on the prophetic characters of President Brigpacked Elder B. Young was imnam Young. pressed to talk at length on the Word of Wisdom and purity of life. Elder Halls gave excellent counsel on Wm. financial matters.

Millions Pearline turned from a mission to the Southern was Elder Heber J. Grant. He dwelt on States, spoke to the congregation on the great blessings that the Sains enlog the importance of the Latter-day Saints living up to their religious professions

showed how a good example often doe Elder Anson V. Call said he had visit. a vast amount of good, both to the in-Elder Anson v, Can said he had visit, ed all the wards of the Stake except two during the last quarter. He advis-all the Bishops to make special effort dividual and to the Church. Stake Counselor L. A. Snow spoke briefly on the labors of the presiding

n counseling the young men Priesthood in the Stake. Stake Counselor Oleen N. Stohl also Stake, regarding the liquor and tobac spoke of the missionary work being done in the Stake. Elder Seymour B. Young spoke of the purity of the Jewish women and its re-

pecially that of the new Central school

The last discourse was delivered by

Elder Heber J. Grant. In it he bore a powerful testimony to the truth of the

atter day work, and testified to the

blessings flowing from obedience to the counsels of the servants of the t. The singing of the Tabernacle choir under the direction of Conductor S. N

Lee, received favorable comment by the

Cassia Stake.

The quarterly conference of the Cas

Present upon the stand were two of

and Blaine. Elder Wm. T. Jack made the open

ing remarks and complimented the Saints from the far off wards for their

attendance. The Stake is in a very

the different organizations of the Stake. Elder Moses Smith reported the Elder's

quorum. He was honorably re-leased. Elder C. L. Haight reported the

Saints. Some beautiful pieces w rendered. NEPHI ANDERSON,

building in course of erection.

filled.

Conference adjourned for three months WILLIAM H. KENNINGTON, sults on the race. He referred to the prophetic utterances made by Joseph

RETURNED MISSIONARIES Smith and showed how they were ful-At 2 p. m. Elder Rudger Clawson Elder Joseph B. Jarman, of Kayayia spoke encouragingly of the Saints in the Stake. Mentioned the signs of thrift shown in the many improve-Davis Co., was set apart on the 24th day of January, 1900, for a mission to nents being made in Brigham City, es

were

Stake Clerk.

"There's the rub."

The "rub" in one hand, and the effect

of it in the other. Good design for a soap "ad."-isn't it? Question of

health, if nothing else, ought to make

you give up this wearing washboard

Trubbing with soap, and take up the sen-

sible way of washing with Pearline-soaking, boiling, rinsing. The washboard rubbing, done

in the midst of soiled clothes and tainted steam is harmful to

any woman. If you think it isn't, you'd better think again. 500

California. He returned from there on California. He returned from there on the 18th day of January, last During his absence he labored mostly hock-land, where, he says, the way was progressing well. A number of harden were performed. He was release a account of sickness, having had an tack of typhoid fever. He is not is, ing much better though he ha to fully recovered. fully recovered.

Stake Clerk.

Elder W. W. Cranney, of Afton Wy.

oming, was get apart on the 18th day of Jan., 1899, for a mission to the Nether ern States. He returned from the field on the 21st of this month. He has bored the first seven months in 000, and was then transferred to the Indiana and was then transferred to the indian conference, where he labored until is-leased. He reports that he had a very enjoyable time, having gained a valu-able experience while in the ministry.

Elder H. T. Williams, of Almy, Us-ia county, Wyoming, returned to the city on the 21st of this month from the Northern States mission. set apart on the 13th day of February set apart on the 13th day of February, 1899. The first six months he labered in the Ohio conference, and the re-mainder of the time in southern h-diana. He says the mission is in a healthy condition at the present time.

good condition, the tithing for 1900 ex-ceeded any other year. Reports were then called for from Elder George A. Griffith, of Fairview, Onelda county, Idaho, returned on the 25th of February last, from the South-ern States. He was set apart on the 14th day of December, 1888, and is has been laboring in the Georgia has been laboring in the Georgia con-ference. He says he has had the best of health and enjoyed his labors as a canvassing Elder.

a very satisfactory condition. Elder Orson P. Bates gave a report of the Sabbath schools. President Wm. T. Elder Nephi Otteson, of Provo, Utah county, was set apart on the lith day of October, 1898, for a mission to the Northern States. He labored in the He labored in the horted the Saints to strictly observe the law of tithing and tithe all that comes Iowa conference. He returned home on the 14th of February, last. He says he enjoyed good health while absent into their hands. He read from the 9th chapter of II Nephi, Book of Morand met with much success in his missionary labors.

At 2 p. m., conference reconvened. Sister Isabelle A. Brim reported the Y Elder Joseph A. Ence, of Richfield, L. M. I. A. of the Stake as being in an excellent condition. Patriarch Moroni Pickett then addressed the assembly. Sevier county, was set apart on the 7th of December, 1898, for a mission to the Northern States. He labored m the Northern Indiana conference the time. He says he met with very good success, and that the conference is in a good condition. He returned to this city on the 22nd of February, last Elder Crayton Johnson, of Overlan, Nevada, was set apart on the 9th day of November, 1898, for the Southwest ern States mission. He labored in the East Arkansas conference Hereturned to this city on his way home of the 24th of this month. He says the con-ference is in a flourishing condition. There are many investigators.

Elders W. H. Marsh and Anthony Jepson, in a letter dated Milford, Bax-ton Co., Mo., Feb. 19, announce the death on the 16th of Feb., of Sister Anna Crites, wife of Brother Perry M. Crites, of Milford. Deceased first heard the Gospel in Colorado and after moving to this place obeyed the same, was baptized in the fall of 1900 by Elder ob N. Larsen. Sister Crites was an amiable woman, a firm friend of the Elders, and died a faithful Latter-day Concerning the work in general in

that part of the field, the correspondents say: We have been moderately successful. We arrived at this place Dec. 14, last, and since that time have made fair progress in most districts, and have successful in getting a The people as a rule are quite hospit able and liberal in their views. have some friends and a few honest investigators

heavenly Father to sow seeds of truth in the hearts of some among whom we labor. Having occasion to visit the U. S. consul, a Mr. Stevens, of Indiana, we

about the people toward whom he

in Israel, do some good while on our

The Semi-Weekly is eagerly read when it comes to hand and highly ap-

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The "News" is very welcome and much appreciated. We find it to be of much service.



Interesting History of the Falelima Branch, Savaii.

become delighted with its contents, and in many instances have subscribed for the paper, and thus got interested in the Gospel. Some of them are today earnest investigators of the Gospel, and have a great desire to know the truth. This has been very encouraging to me for it always gives one pleasure to see people desirous of knowing the truth. CRIMSBY CONFERENCE.

the branch for some years, but emigrat

ed with many others in 1867. I have found five sisters and a brother who has ben lost sight of, and there are two Report of the Work in that Part of the sisters and a brother here besides them. Those five sisters are well advanced in Field. years. Our prospects appear favor-able, and we hope by the blessing of our

"Why People Stay Away From Church" is a Subject of Public Discussion.

told him we were from Utah, and show-ing him my passport of citizenship I informed him we were in Plymouth as representatives of the Latter-day Saints Elder Caleb W. Haws writes from Hull, England, February 12th, as fol-

Church or "Mormons," he at once en-tered into conversation and enquired lows: had great prejudice, as he had been a Meth-odist minister for twenty years. We found him to be far advanced in liber-We certainly have a conference to be proud of. At both Grimsby and Hull are a goodly number of Saints, with ality of sentiment to ministers in genthe prospects of many more embracing eral. He has had us call on him twice since, and wishes us to again call on the true Gospel of Christ in the near him. He implies we have removed much prejudice from his mind. He has future. Our meetings are well attend. ed each Sabbath, been through Ogden, but not in Salt Lake City. I trust we may, as Elders

The famine spoken of by the Prophet Amos confronts the people of the world beyond a question of doubt. today. says he, (Amos; 11-12) "Behold the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord; and they shall wander from sea to sea, and the north even to the east, shall run to and fro to seek the word of the Lord, and shall not find it.

During the four months prior to the opening of the new century the Daily Mail, a leading paper of Hull, has from day to day, published letters written by thinking men upon the topic: 'Why People Stay Away from Church.'' Column after column has been filled with this subject-the correspondence representing the opinions of almost every class and shade of thought in the city. Following is the opinion of one bright mind: "I, with thousands of others, stay away from church because we lieve it is a matter of £. s. d., and that the so-called Christians of the present day do not preach and practice the doctrine followed by the great Founder

above quoted. Since January 5th I have been laboring in Driffield, a small place of about 6,000 inhabitants, situated 20 miles north of Hull, but in the Grimsby conference. I have for my companion Elder D. E. Seamons of Rockport, Utah.



judgment. To see the throngs of humanity in these large cities, who, apparently, are dissatisfied with their various forms of worship, and are seeking the "word of the Lord," one can readily observe the literal fulfilment of the prediction

Although this is practically a new field,

are always two sides to all questions.

for they are friend-makers. THE LEEDS CONFERENCE. is Said to be in a Flourishing Condition. Quite a Number of Baptisms Reported - Good Meetings - The

Saints Feeling Well.

Bradford, England, Feb. 5, as follows:



A LETTER FROM SWEDEN.

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The Missionary Work in that Far Away Land,

The Elders Meet but Few People Who Have Not Heard Something About the Gospel.

A letter dated Norrkoeping, Sweden, Peb, 9, and signed by Elders Alfred Anderson, C. Hjalmar Carlquist and A. Robert Larson, contains these items of

interest: Norrkoeping, the fourth city of Sweden, Linkoping, Soderkoping, Motala, Wadstena and intervening towns, villages and hamlets, is rather a large "corner of the vineyard" to be tilled by three missionaries, but by occasional division of forces we are able to keep In touch with our scattered Saints.

The Elders who have labored here in the past 40 years have been faithful to their trust, for we seldom meet an elderly person, who does not know something about "Mormonism." Missionary work here at present can be likened to gleaning a field of wheat.

At the last fall session of the Gothenburg conference, we were appointed to labor in the Norrkoeping branch. In the city of Norrkoeping, (our branch headquarters, where there are about 60 Saints living), we have a very nice hall, with a seating capacity of 250.

Here we hold regular services every Sunday and Thursday evening. This winter we have had a good attendance, particularly on Sundays, when fre-quently the hall has been taxed to its utmost capacity. Through the liberal-ity of the three principal newspapers, have our meetings advertised free of charge. At the main entrance of the new building where our hall is now lo-cated, we have a large "announcement-





This country seems to have been flooded with "infamous books," vile

Our Sunday school and English class also hold regular sessions.

At the present time a spirit of indifference seems to be existing among the vast majority of the Swedish peopl missionary in this land finds a differ. ent condition among the people to what existed a generation ago, "The salt hath lost its savor." One cannot wonder at the growing lack of serious re-ligious belief, when he sees posted on "Two days with God in the Salvation Army hall." Some years ago the Sal-vation Army "fever" swept over portions of this land, and while It may have had some temporary good effects there has also been a reaction, causing great numbers of the younger people to ook upon religion as a means of getting amusement. The Free churches vie with each other in their "Kaffe-Fests," etc. As for the Lutheran state church, it is an open secret that if it were not for the government support, it would not last long.

But our efforts are not confined to his city alone. We hold occasional this city alone. meetings in the other cities, and not a week goes by but what we hold a meet ing in the country "sockens" in this neighborhood. Recently we held a meeting in Motala Werkstad, one of the neighborhood foundry and machine centers of Swe-den, at which the hall was crowded.

How our mountain-bred boys, full of American pride, open their eyes in wonder and surprise when first old the natural beauty of old Sweden! Nature has been prodigal with her gifts to this northern peninsula. A rolling, hilly country of green fields, meadows and woods, dotted everywhere with beautiful mirror-like lakes, around whose rocky shores have been built the quaint villages and hamlets! How the eyes drink in the new scenes unrolled before them! Maybe at the end of a day's tracting and tramping in the country, one comes to some eminence which enables him to see a sketch of woods and fields covered with the glory of the setting sun, church spires here and there, showing the weary wanderer where the people gather on the Sunday to worship. Then you can imagine the kindness of the Lord, who lets a people enjoy such a beautiful land. The try people are naturally religious (how could they be otherwise with nature's beauties around them), but they have a blind faith in the doctrines of their fathers. They do not realize that they could accept the religion of the Restor. in place of the one of the Reformation

We, in common with other missionaries, would appeal to the Scandinavian Saints in Zion, not to forget their rela-tives and friends in these countries. Could you realize the good your letters accomplish, you would write more of them. And then you would dispel a foolish but common belief "that the Prophet won't let them write." Should of you have relatives or friends in this branch whom you desire called up on, you need only write to the mission. arles, who will take pleasure in doing

In this foreign land the "News" is in. deed a welcome visitor. We can't use it for tracts, but it comforts the mis-slonary and keeps him informed of happenings in faraway Zion.

REMOVING PREJUDICES.

Good Work of the Elders in Devon England.

Elder Wm, G. Burton, an aged misslonary in Great Britain writes from Plymouth, Feb. 1, as follows: Elder Harry Matthews of Taylors-ville, Samuel Weston of Lake Town

and myself are laboring in this neigh borhood. We have a nice hall in the Odd Fellows' building with a seating capacity of about 50 in a good part of the town of Plymouth. We have been Instrumental in allaying prejudice. Our tracts are taken and read by those receiving them and we have some who appear to be sincere in their investiga-There has been no organization of the Church in this part for sixteen years. At one time Devenport, the sis-ter town, was headquarters of the

A "Mormon Revival" Said to Be in Progress In that District.

Elders Fred Lewis and Don C. Mc-Bride send this report, dated Falelima, Savail, Samoa, January 20th:

Falelima is situated at the extreme west end of this island (Savali) and was first organized into a branch about three years ago when Jas. Burgess (a half-caste), and family, who live a mile from the village, were baptized by Elder Geo. W. Horne, With its organization began opposition and persecution of the bitterest nature as Methodism was the ruling religion of the village, but by earnest and prayerful efforts and the blessings of the Lord it has gradually grown until today we have a fine house located in the village taught with an average altendance of twenty pupils. It was in this district that we spent a most pleasant time during the holidays not only a temporal but also a spiritual

nature. There were three visiting Elders present, Elders C. L. Warnlek, presi-dent of Savaii; and Ed. W. Little of Sa-vaii, and Elder John W. Jex of Tutuila, making five of us in all. Christmas was spent at Satana, where we received the kindest hospitality from the Crichton brothers of that place, one of whom (Robert) is a member of the Church, and at whose place we stayed during the whole time that we were there. Some of their boys have been attending our school at Tuasivi and they, in com-pany with some Samoan Saints, accompanied Elder Warnick to their home. Their parents were highly pleased with the progress they are making at school. Mr. Wm. Crichton showed his love by taking the best of care of our Samoan Saints, Mr. John and Sandy Crickton, also everything they possibly could to see that we had an enjoyable time, which we surely did. Our Christmas dinner was a feast not easily to be forgotten, which was served to us under their kind hands.

Christmas over we all went to Falelima where we enjoyed the hospitality of our Saints (Pea and Jas, Burgess) and also of Mr. George Burgess, who is a friend indeed to "Morinonism." Nor vas our enjoyment limited to the good things of this life alone, as we have number of meetings during the week in which we had the privilege of explain ing our Gospel to many honest souls, and of baptizing eleven persons who and have been investigating for some time past. The evening before separating past. children gave an English concert which was much appreciated by the natives. On the journey back Elders Fred Lewis and John W. Jex traveled up the south side of the island visiting vil. lages, explaining the Gospel and dis-tributing tracts with good success, while President C. S. Warnick, Timalo (a native Priest), and the school boys traveled up the north side, with simitar motives in view and were reward with good results. In fact, seems to be a "Mormon" revival especially in this district, as all are anx

ous to hear our message. During the whole journey seventeen meetings were held, and fifty villages visited. Sixty tracts were distributed

and evelen baptisms were performed and seven children blessed. The "News" is an ever welcome visitor to us in these far away isles.

Good Work of the "News."

Elder T. W. Durrant. of Franklin, Idaho, in a letter dated Feb. 16, says,

in part: thank you for sending me the "News," while laboring as a mission-ery in the State of Montana, Its value is beyond price. I can say from experience that many times it has been circulated among people who stated operly that they had no use for religion. But by some fortunate means or other they have seen the "News" and found Lands-End conference. I presided over | it to be so much different from what | of peace and love filled their bosoms

people have received us very kindly thus far. The Elders were driven from this town many years ago. I have often been asked the question "Why do your people at home not write to their relatives and friends whe they have left in foreign lands?" "T The Saints should not neglect this important duty, as it does the Elders an in-justice. Our people, living as they do in peace and happiness enjoying all the comforts of life, seem to forget the many scandalous reports which have been circulated by evil designing perregarding the Latter-day Saints. Many still have the idea that when one once gets into the clutches of the 'Mor. mons inside those huge walls surrounding Utah, they can never escape, I believe nearly all the Elders are confronted with this stupidity. Anyone having relatives or friends in this lo-cality whom they would like the Elders to call upon, please inform us, and we will do so with pleasure. Address me at No. 36 Clumber street, Off Prince Ave., Hull, England.

"News" and "Era" are most The cheerfully received and highly appreclated by the Elders, especially we who

are in far off lands. On October 16th last, I called upon the manager of the "Beverley Road Library and Reading Room," this city, and obtained permission to place their tables a copy of the "News" each

Our conference convenes at Hull March 10, 1901, and we anticipate a most enjoyable time.

Conference Report.

Elder A. L. Westover writes from Coloniz, Tex., Feb .21: On November 16, 17 and 18 last, we held our semi-annual conference, at which Elder James S. Duffin, president of the Southwestern mission, was present, with all of the Elders of our con ference and some of the Saints, held three Priesthood meetings and three public meetings which were well attended.

Our conference being in a condition that we needed but few Elders, there were four of our little band transferred to other parts of the mission. We have baptized thirteen persons since our conference and have other applicants for baptism. We rejoice in our labors, as baptism. we see the hand of the Lord made manifest in our behalf. We see the sick healed in many instances through the power of God. have been in the missionary labor

about twenty months and can say they have been the happiest of my life. The "News" is very much appreciated

by the Elders and Saints. **REJOICING IN THE COSPEL.**

Testimony of a Sister Who Has Found the Truth.

Good Meetings of the Elders and Saints in the Northern Indiana Conference.

Elder Alexander Lyon sends this communication from Indianapolis, Ind.

Feb. 20; The Elders of the Northern Indiana

conference held their semi-annual conference in the court house at Muncie City, Feb. 16th and 17th. Elders Louis A. Kelsch and John A. Sermon, of the Northern States mission were present. Three public meetings were held, at which Elders Kelsch, John A. Sermon, Alexander Lyon, Edgar M. Allred, and James A, Olson explained the Gospel as

revealed in these the last days, meetings were well attended. The The Priesthood meeting was the all-mportant one. The Elders were on

important one. The Elders were on tiptoe of expectancy until the assign-ments had been read; then the spirit

nual conference we have been enabled to reach many honest-hearted people with the Gospel truths, many of whom have come forward and embraced the Gospel.

On Dec. 1st, we had the privilege of surrounding the water's edge and seeing fifteen enter the water: also January 5th seventeen more were added to the fold; and on Saturday, Febru-ary 9th, was another Pentecostal meeting, at which nineteen more intelligent people were added to our number. The booths on this occasion were crowd-ed both with Saints and investigators. The latter had come to see how the Latter-day Saints baptize.

Sunday, Feb. 10th, was our district meeting, at Hallfax. The presidency of British mission were present, addressed the congregation. The meet-ings were grand. We had a rich outpouring of the Spirit of the Lord in our midst.

After the meetings we all left for our homes with a good feeling of love. are blessed in this conference with a president who is a teacher and a father to us all, whose counsel is of great worth to the brethren.

A LETTER FROM CUBA.

One of the "Boys" Writes of His Impressions in the Army.

He Belleves the Elders Could Do a Good Work Among the Soldiers.

Brother Isaac A. Carr, who is a trumpeter of the Light Battery A, Second artillery, writes from Columbia Barracks, Cuba, February 11:

Your most valuable paper has been my guide for the past two years. The intelligence page is great. My mother has been sending the "News" to me but it gets here about a month late, but the news is never to old for me. I have come to the conclusion that if I could get it sooner I would be able to get more of my comrades to read it and I know it would do them a world of good. I have often wondered how it is that our Church does not have missionaries in Cuba, for there is a harvest here that need to be gathered. I suppose the time has not come for the Gospel to be spread here. In God's own due time all vill be done

I have been in the army for the last six years and have not come in con-tact with any of our Elders. We have nearly all other church ministers here. We have a large pavilion but very few in this attend the meetings. We have post about thirteen hundred enlisted men without packers and wagon train men, and the civilians that are here. I think it would be a very good idea if one of the Eiders could speak to the soldiers in the United States army, for there are lots of young, honest and upright soldiers who are in need of the hand of the Lord to guide them aright seems so easy for them to astray. They have good, honest and upright parents who would like to se them do well, but they have got beyond their control and out of their sight, and they think that their parents do not see them and don't care. I do all I can to do right and to help others to do the same, by a good word and by actions for these speak louder than words.

Relief Society Conference

Elder F. N. Paulson, of Payson, in a letter dated Feb. 14, reports that the conference of the Nebo Stake Relief society was held in that city on the 14th of this month. Sisters David John and Marilla Daniels, of Provo, and Sisters Richards and West of Ogden were there o organize the Stake society and install the following officers: Sister Lillie Page of Payson, as president, and Sis-

Platte D. Lyman was sustained as president of the San Juan Stake. The general and local authorities were sus-tained. On account of deep snows there were no representatives from Moab, Monticello and Verdure. The other The other wards were well represented. The Stake officers of Sunday schools and Y. M. M. I. A. were present in force. Five meet-ings were held and the meeting house was crowded at each session.

At the close of the afternoon Sunday neeting, Elder Cowley accompanied by Bishop George Halls, started for a drive of sixty miles to Mancos, where Elder Cowley will /take train for Salt Lake City.

J. R. YOUNG. Clerk Pro tem.

Boxelder Stake.

Brigham City, Feb. 26 .- The Stake conference just closed was marked by an unusual large attendance, especially during the meetings held on Monday, February 25.

There were present as visitors of the Council of Apostles, Elders Heber J. Grant and Rudger Clawson; also Elder Seymour B, Young, of the First Council of Seventies. President of the Stake Charles Kelly,

presided at the meetings. Sunday morning the Tabernacle was

filled with Sunday school children, who took part in the exercises. Class ex-ercises were given by the primary department of the Three Mile Sunday school, the theological department of Second ward. The children then repeated the Lord's prayer in concert Elder Rudger Clawson spoke briefly on the greatness of Sunday school

work, and the teaching of the young the principles of the Gospel.

Elder Heber J. Grant spoke of the necessity of teaching our children the principles of the Gospel. In the afternoon, after the opening

exercises and the administration of the Sacrament, Elder Charles Kelly reported the condition of the Saints in the Stake. He said that the increase in the payment of tithing last year over previous years was marked and gratifying. Home missionaries had been called and Their lasent out among the people. bors had been greatly blessed. both among the Saints and the strangers within the Stake. The organizations of the Stake were in good working order.

Owing to the removal of Elder A. H. Snow, Stake superintendent of Sunday schools, to Salt Lake City, he was honorably released from his position and Elder John D. Peters was selected to fill that position.

Charles Squires, having re-Elder moved to Idaho, was honorably released from the office of Stake superintendent of Religion classes and Elder Nels Maden was sustained in his place

Elder S. B. Young said he had always heard good reports from this Stake. He encouraged the work of the Sunday schools and the Religion classes, He spoke of the death of the late Karl G. Maeser, of his conversion, and sub-sequent work as an educator in the Church. Referred to the evils of in-temperance and said the only power able to successfully cope with the evil is the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

Elder Heber J. Grant explained why he had not been able to meet oftene with the Saints in Boxelder. Said that as he had been called on a mission to Japan, this would be his last chance a long time to meet with the Saints. He bore testimony that the Lord had always blessed him manyfold for any sacrifices he had made for the cause of God.

In the evening a meeting was held under the direction of Stake Superin-tendent of Sunday schools J. D. Peters. Remarks were made by Elders S. B. Young, Rudger Clawson and Heber J. Grant

The first speaker Monday morning

Patriarch Wm, F, Brim followed. He spoke at some length upon the law of tithing. Elder Reese M. Carter bore a strong testimony to the Gospel, Elder Roy Meacham, testified that he kuew Gospel was true and that Joseph Smith was a true Prophet of the Lord.

At Sunday, 2 p. m., conference again convened. The Sacrament was admin. istered by Bishops David H. Toyn and R. H. Hunter, assisted by Bishops Thomas Taylor and Adam S. Sayers, Elder Geo. A. Day was called to address the congregation. The General and Stake authorities were presented and unanimously sustained. Elder Daniel Garringe was unani-

mously sustained as the president of the Elders' quorum with B. F. Wilson and Alexander Talman as counselors. Elder Garringe by request made a few remarks. Dr. A. C. Ormsley said he had been requested by the board of health to

speak upon our sanitary condition. He said that rules and regulations would be formulated with regard to infectious and contagious diseases, and a strict quarantine would be carried out. He hoped the people as a mass would sus-tain the board of health in these matters. He also bore an earnest testimony to the work of God.

An instrumental solo was then rendered. Elder Wm, T. Harper said he had been much edified with the subject dwelt upon during the conference and he could fully endorse what had been said.

Elder Wm. T. Jack referred to the reports of the Bishops as given at the Priesthood meeting. He said they were very flattering. He was gratified to know that the board of health wite go-ing to put into operation rules for the betterment of our sanitary condition in betterment of the prayed that the spin-the county. He prayed that the spin-of this conference would be diffused throughout the different wards, J. J. MILLARD, Stake Clerk,

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Star Valley Stake.

The quarterly conference of the Star Valley Stake of Zion convened in Afton, February 16 and 17, 1901. Counselor Anson V. Call presided.

After singing and prayer Elder A. V Call made the opening remarks. He said Elder Geo, Osmond was detained at the Legislature and would not be present and that Counselor Wm. W Burton was at Ogden quite unwell, and yould also be absent.

Bishop James Jensen reported the Grover ward in good condition. Bishop Osborne Low reported the Afton ward favorably in every particular. He also gave a good report of the Dry district of the Afton ward. 1 Bishop Franklin G. Tolman said the Saints in

the Fairview ward are trying to improve in all things . Bishop Aaron F. Bracken, of Freedom ward, reported that ward in ex-

ellent condition. The health of the people was good Bishop Hans J. Hemmert gave a brief

report of Glencoe ward. Bishop William Parsons reported the ottonwood ward in good condition. That ward has completed a meeting house at an outlay of one thousand dol-Elder Byron H. Allred, Jr., gave lars. an excellent report of the religion classes in the Stake.

Superintendent Edmund McLatchie reported the Sabbath schools, ten in number

Elder Charles D. Crazler, president of the High Priests' quorum, spoke on the duties devolving on the members, and xhorted all to make an effort to work or the redemption of their dead.

er Arthur B. Clark made some instructive remarks on the principles of the Bishop Heman Hyde reported Au-

ourn ward.

Elder Aroet L. Hale, Jr., bore a teswill not cost you a cent it good. One application will timony, and urged the Saints to work for their dead in the Temple of the pain. It also cures sprains and

in one-third the time required Elder John W. Moser spoke of the bites, quinsey, pains in the site in chest, grandular and other series are quickly cured by applying it got bottle warranted. Price, 25 and 2 cd codness of God to His children. Elder Charles E. Wright, a returned missionary, gave a short account of his labors.

Elder Emery Barrus, also recently re-

Elder M. D. Cooper, of Overton, Ne vada, returned to this city on the Wih of this month from the Southwestern States, where he has been encaged in missionary labor. He was set apart on the 9th day of Nov., 199. His field of labor was the East Arkansas conference, where, he says, he found many hospitable, friendly people.

Elder Alma Clayton, of Salt Lake City, returned home on the 2nd of Feb-ruary, last, from a mission to the Southern States. He was set apart for this labor on the 15th day of March, 1899, and he labored first in the Chat-tanooga, conference, both in the field tanooga conference, both in the field and in the office. Then he visited Vir-ginia and Florida. He has abored in He states that h six different States has enjoyed his labors very much and feels satisfied with the experience he

has gained.

Elder O. Larson, of Logan, Cache Co., returned on the 27th of February from the Scandinavian mission. He was set apart on the 16th day of April, 1886. He has been laboring tin the Skone cotfer ence, Sweden, where he presided over the Christianstad branch. He says the work is progressing very well. The have been sixteen baptisms in the branch during the past two years, in the Elders have many friends they There were fifteen Elders and fouries Saints in the company in which Elde Larson returned, and he says they had an enjoyable trip across the ocean.

Elder James W. Green of Bear River Elder James W. Green of Bear River City, Boxelder county, returned on the 27th of this month from the Britishmis-slot, for which he was set apart on the 28th day of December, 1898. He has been laboring in the Norwich conference the entire time. He says he had an enjo-able mission. He miet no very series opposition. The people are kind, themi-generally indifferent. Still, there are ad-ditions to the Church. At the last coditions to the Church. At the last coference twenty-one baptisms were ?" ported.

Elder David Stoker, Jr., of Boundary returned on the 27th of Februa from a mission to Great Brita labored the first six months in the

field conference, and the remain the time in what is now the conference. He was set apart 11th day of November, 1899. B released on account of poor health he states that he enjoyed very much as long as his her good. The conference is in a good dition. He has been the clerk of

Grinisby conference ever since in ganization.

Elder Erick M. Larson, Jr., of MB Creek, Onelda county, Idaho, reten on the 25th of February from a mission to the Northern States. He was so to the Northern States. He apart on the 16th day of Februar He has been laboring in the function of the second sec

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