

the University of Deseret of Dec. 31, 1881, be printed for distribution." Adopted.

H. F. No. 25, a bill amending an Act relating to railroad companies, was taken up on its second reading, and placed on the general file.

H. F. No. 32, a bill to provide for creating a jury fund in civil cases, and for other purposes, was read the second time and placed on the general file.

On motion of Mr. Penrose, the House adjourned until Monday, 6th, 2 p.m.

Benediction.

JUAB STAKE CONFERENCES.

The Primary Association Conference was held in the Tabernacle, Nephi, commencing at 10 a. m., on Friday, Jan. 20, 1882.

Sister Hannah Grover, President of the Stake Primaries called the meeting to order.

After singing and prayer the minutes of last meeting were read and accepted.

A few excellent and encouraging remarks were made by Sister Hannah Grover. The various Ward associations were represented by their presidents to be in excellent condition.

Then followed recitations, dialogues and songs by the children which demonstrated the truth of the Presidents' reports.

At the close of the Conference a Primary Fair was opened at the Nephi Relief Hall. All who attended were well repaid. It was exceedingly interesting to view the works of industry performed by little hands. Beautiful bouquets of flowers in wax, wool and tarleton, chaste samples of mats, worked mottoes, knitting, fancy crochet and needle work. There was also a presentable exhibit of cookery in the shape of bread, tarts and candy by the little girls, and some talent displayed by the little boys in painting, painting and wood work.

2 p.m.

The Relief Societies held their fifteenth Conference, Sister Amelia Goldsborough of the Stake organization presiding.

After the usual devotional exercises, reports were received from the various Ward associations, financial and statistical reports were read by the secretary.

After the reports several of the sisters expressed their feelings and Elders K. H. Brown and George Kendall gave some excellent instructions.

6:30 p.m.

The priesthood meeting was very well attended. The presidents of quorums reported their members. The High Council had passed a resolution approving of and adopting the action taken by the High Council, and approved by the Conference of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion with regard to the liquor question. This met the approbation of those present, and it was resolved to adopt the same resolutions in this Stake of Zion. An excellent spirit prevailed and much good instruction was given.

Saturday, 10 a. m.

The Quarterly Conference of the Juab Stake of Zion convened. On the stand were the Presidency of the Stake, members of the High Council, Bishops and Counsellors.

After opening exercises President Teasdale expressed gratitude to our Heavenly Father for benefits received, relating his reasons for such feelings. Bishops Andrews, Sperry, Hams and Aagaard represented their wards, and spoke very encouragingly of an improvement manifested by their people and the blessings of God received, both spiritual and temporal, the past season, thus occupying the morning session.

2 p.m.

Usual opening exercises. Elders Eric Petersen of Levan, and Prest. K. H. Brown spoke.

Clerk read the statistical report. Presidents Grover and Teasdale addressed the congregation on intelligent obedience to correct principles, the law of tithing, recommends, magnifying the Priesthood and true integrity were the subjects treated upon, an excellent spirit prevailing.

6:30 p.m.

The Y. M. and L. M. I. Associations held their Quarterly Conference.

After singing and prayer Elder Thomas Cramley, Stake superintendent made a few opening remarks.

Elders Israel Bale, Wm. Tunbridge and John Evans, also Sisters Kate Sone and Hannah Grover represented their associations in a very interesting manner.

Apostle Erastus Snow gave some valuable instructions to the young people, relating some very interesting circumstances in his own experience.

Sunday, 10 a. m.

The Sabbath school conference was held.

The brass band was in attendance and demonstrated a marked improvement in their playing.

After opening exercises the superintendents of the various Sabbath schools reported.

The choir and Primaries sang.

President A. O. Smoot, of Utah Stake, and Apostle Erastus Snow imparted to the children some valuable advice and exhortation.

2 p.m.

After devotional exercises President Teasdale presented the sacrament service, consisting of two flagons, four baskets and four cups that had been donated by the voluntary subscriptions of the people for the use of the Tabernacle.

Apostle Snow, offered the dedicatory prayer and blessed the bread. Choir sang an anthem. The congregation was addressed by Apostle Snow, who gave a masterly discourse on the eleventh chapter of Romans.

President Teasdale, presented the authorities, which were unanimously sustained.

6:30 p.m.

President A. O. Smoot and Apostle Snow occupied the evening, bearing testimony to the truth of the latter-day work, and showing the bearing it should have upon our every day conduct spiritually and temporally. Encouraged the Saints to be patient and full of integrity to our Heavenly Father, His laws and the Constitution of our beloved country.

We had an excellent Conference. All seemed to enjoy the spirit that prevailed. Our choirs and band did excellent service.

THOMAS CRAWLEY,
Clerk of Conference.

BOX ELDER STAKE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The Quarterly Conference of the Box Elder Stake of Zion convened in the Tabernacle at Brigham City, at 10 a. m., January 28th, 1882.

Present on the stand: Prest. O. G. Snow, Counselor E. A. Box, Patriarch Wm. Box, several Bishops and leading Elders.

After singing and prayer. Bishop Thomas Harper said we ought to carry with us our religion in every affair of life, and build upon the word of God, by its adoption and practice, for a knowledge of the truth alone will not save us.

Bishop Abr. Hunsaker gave a favorable report of the Honeyville Ward; we have all the liberty to do good, pay our tithes and offerings, many are faithful in these duties; we should labor to bring everything to minister to our advancement in the faith.

Prest. O. G. Snow alluded to the hatred manifested at present toward the Latter-day Saints, and of the evil designs entertained, and the almost universal wish for their accomplishment. Whatever grows out of these efforts God will rule for good to His people.

Bro. Charles Wright thought the people made greater exertions to acquire the things which perish, than for the priceless riches of truth; we should love our enemies and our neighbors as ourselves.

Singing, benediction.

2 p.m.

Bishop Geo. Stewart reported the Malad Ward in a flourishing condition; quite an increase had been made in tithes and offerings.

Counselor E. A. Box, spoke of the plainness of the gospel truths, yet strange to say, it is the few who receive them, while the great majority rail against them.

Bro. L. Farr spoke on family government, the great events about to transpire and the necessity of faithful adherence to the word of God.

Apostle Moses Thatcher alluded to the first great conflict which occurred when Lucifer sought to take away man's agency which God had given him; those who live on the earth were on that occasion on the side of right, and they have a claim on our love.

Singing, benediction.

29th, 10 a.m.

Bro. L. Hunsaker gave a synopsis of his recent mission to the Southern States. Said a certain Christian lady there was weeping, and when asked the cause of her distress, she replied, because some "Mormons" had come into the neighborhood, and that they took the very essence of the "Holy Bible" to prove their confounded doctrines to be true.

Prest. Canute Petersen, of Sanpete State, compared the condition of the farming communities in various Eastern States with those of Utah; also the quality of farm products of these sections, which he thought were largely in favor of Utah.

Prest. W. W. Cluff remarked that at no time since the organization of the Church has there been manifested so much antipathy against this people as at present, yet we are calm and serene, and have an abiding faith in God.

Bro. J. P. Harrison made a few remarks.

Singing. Benediction.

2 p.m.

The sacrament was administered. Apostle L. Snow said it would be well for us to examine the foundation on which our faith rests, gird up and prepare ourselves for the events of the near future, for that which may be required of us.

Apostle Moses Thatcher read from the life of General Washington, warning the nation against party spirit, which would tend to special enactment; referred to the special enactments and decrees made during the first great empire; the fiery furnace and lion's den, and of the marvelous deliverance God wrought for those who steadily maintained their integrity and kept His laws.

Conference adjourned for three months.

Singing. Benediction.

JAMES BYWATER,
Clerk of Stake.

Correspondence.

SAN PEDRO, Arizona,
January 19, 1882.

Editor Deseret News:

On the morning of the 17th, Prest Macdonald and companions left the Pima agency for Casa Grande on the S. P. R. R., at which place we arrived at 1.30 p.m. Took the cars in the evening and arrived at Benson on the following morning, when we met with the brethren from St. David with conveyances to take us to their homes, a distance of eight miles. We found the people all in good health, with several families added to their number since we were here last May.

At 2 p.m., we met with the brethren in meeting. After the opening ceremonies, Bro. P. C. Merrill addressed the Saints in very appropriate remarks on their local situation. He was followed by President Macdonald on the privileges of the Gospel, showing the different degrees of faith in coming up to the law of tithing. He was followed by Elders D. P. Kimball, H. W. Brizzee and C. I. Robson, encouraging the Saints to live up to their duties and progress day by day. Meeting adjourned till 6.30 p.m.

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After singing and prayer Bro. P. C. Merrill addressed the brethren, said he hoped the freedom that was enjoyed by the Saints would be partaken of freely.

Prest. Macdonald read a portion of the history of Joseph Smith of October 5th, 1840, he then addressed the brethren on this subject, showing the chain of Priesthood and power; referred to apostasy and showed the results and what power the atonement has on them.

Several of the brethren followed with encouraging remarks.

At a late hour we adjourned till 10 a. m. to-morrow.

10 a. m.

This morning we met according to appointment. After the opening exercises Elders C. I. Robson, D. P. Kimball and A. E. Macdonald addressed the meeting on the subjects of union and obedience, and adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

Meeting opened as usual, when Elder Llewellyn Harris gave us a brief history of his missionary labors with the Lamanites.

He was followed by Elders Brizzee, Kimball and Macdonald on the spirit of progress that was being

made manifest by the Latter-day Saints.

Meeting adjourned till 6.30 p. m. We met this evening according to appointment, and transacted a great deal of local business pertaining to this branch, when President Macdonald announced that himself and Elders Brizzee, A. Wild, Hill, Trejo, and S. Curtis, would make a short trip south, leaving D. P. Kimball and myself here to transact some business pertaining to this settlement. When the former brethren return we will proceed to Smithville on the Gila.

Yours in the gospel,

CHAS. I. ROBSON.

REFLECTIONS FROM A WINDOW.

When John Wesley commenced his religious labors, he was in training as a minister for the Church of England; being of a strong devotional habit, he gathered around him first his fellow students of similar temperament; their united warmth, soon by contrast, implied coldness in the church "as by law established;" and their main ambition became to infuse more life, and so bring nearer to the people all the rightful power and influence of their own clergy and church!

It is probable and in fact certain, that secession and new organization was no part of the programme of either Wesley or Whitfield. The latter, indeed, made no attempt at this, although he was more magnetic and created more converts than the former. After the Wesleyans passed away, the element which had been by them transfused with a more or less aggressive religious fervor, soon blossomed into organization everywhere. Finally (ignoring the nursing mother) after becoming so influential, as to really sweep through the lower and touch the fringe of the middle classes, whose religious culture had been measurably neglected by this, their haughty and aristocratic State Church.

As time passed on the memory of the leaders became almost saintly in the estimation of their successors, and while increasing numbers and more numerous chapels were being built, there was growing a more widely extended reverence for the writings, and a greater general desire to become familiar with the personal appearance of the gifted leaders or founders of the so-called Wesleyan Methodist church.

Among the earliest of our recollections was the ever present tribute of esteem that was met in Methodist homes of those portraits which were so familiar to our fathers, and are now familiar to hundreds and thousands of devoted followers and members of that church almost around the globe.

Who does not remember the long black gown and bands, and the curling hair of John, as it fell over his shoulders, giving him an almost more than human appearance of sanctification in a great and mighty work, and then the more jolly and less saintly appearance of the poet Charles, similarly robed, but less clerical in appearance; and how much now would the memory repeat, if after many, many years of residence in these valleys, one should suddenly drop upon these self-same portraits so familiar in childhood, out here in this far-off and then uncreated and unthought of city of the Great Salt Lake. Yet so it is, and right in our leading thoroughfare, in the window of a second hand store, can be seen to-day those same portraits, precious to many a Methodist heart, and probably the long cherished heirloom of some Methodist family now extinct, or one compelled for some reason of movement or transmigration to part with that which to bring here must have commanded a large share of devotion and required a great amount of care.

These should find their way into the care of Professor Barfoot, and in the Museum along with other worthies, they would invoke among hosts of our aged brethren and sisters many thoughts, for it was partly by their labors that they were prepared to receive the Gospel. In their Sabbath Schools and in their communion was enjoyed many happy hours, and while we have exchanged what little thing they could give us, for that which is nobler and greater, we need none the less revere their labors in the great cause of progress in the order and economy of God.

Our children also would see them, albeit with different eyes to what we did, but meeting their names in religious history, and coming in con-

tact with organizations having more or less resemblance to the original, they may also be pleased to see how men looked who were so revered, and whose fame and influence as religionists have finally become so extended and widely spread.

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