we will be perfect some day. We hope to lay aside everything that offends in the sight of God. I do not think it looks well for a President of a Stake or High Councilor to be smoking a pipe or chewing tobacco, but it would not do to use violence with a person for so indulging. Such persons should be labored with and shown their errors.

Since the opening of the spring there has been some frost at St. George, but up to within a few days the fruit prospects appeared to be unlujured. It has been a marvel with many how the people of that region manage to subsist. They trust in God and labor on, and though they do not succeed so well temporally as the residents of some other parts of the Territory, they live and hope to do so, Home industries should be excouraged among the people more than at present. The people of the south are being cucouraged to raise more cotton and to take care of their wool and manufacture it at bome instead of sending it abroad, that the people may be comparatively independent when Babylon shall fall. We have artisans of the best kind in this Territory, and they should be employed in their several lines, and required to work to the best advantage.

Though we have a Temple in the St. George Stake, and perhaps on that account ought all to be exemplary, there are some in that part who fail to pay their tithing and live up to their other duties, but on the whole they will compare with the people in other parts of the Territory. For people to be unfaithful and then expect to be admitted to the Temples to partake of all the blessings to be obtained therein is unreasonable. It has been said that persons who fail to keep the Word of Wisdom should not be so admitted, but it has not been usual thus far to exclude persons for their failure to observe that law. The Lord chastening which the Saints are receiving may be a result of the Divine love and care, and calculated solely for

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APOSTLE F. D. RICHARDS

complimented the Saints on the good order maintained during the meetings and the large attendance, and expressed a hope that the Saints would not feel to begrudge the period of the Conference in attending the meetings notwithstanding their work might seem to require their presence at home. He felt to promise them that they would lose nothing even in a temporal way by so doing, as the Lord would make their crops yield more ubundantly for their willingness to make the sacrifice to serve and worship Him; and also promised that an epistle from the First Presidency would be read during Conference.

Conference.
The choir sang the anthem: "Lord now lettest thy servant depart in neace."

Adjourned till to-day at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Elder Jacob Gates.

SECOND DAY. MORNING SESSION.

April 5th.

The choir sang: The time is nigh, that happy time, That long expected blessed day,

When countless thousands of our race Shall dwell with Christ and Him obey. Prayer by Apostle John W. Taylor.

Sing to the great Jehovah's praise, All praise to Him belongs.

Was sung by the choir.

ELDER JOHN NICHOLSON

Was the first speaker. He alluded to his recent imprisonment for five months in the Utah Penitentiary, and described the general condition of the described the general condition of the brethren conflued there. They were allied with the spirit of peace and reduced the precepts of the Gospel to practice by being considerate toward each other and all their fellow prisoners. He showed at some length—by relating illustrative circumstances of the past and present—how the existing situation was largely a repetion of what had occurred in past ages. The position of the Saints was clearly defined. The ground upon which they stood was not debutable. They must andhere to the principles of their faith, and maintain human freedom. He spoke for some time upon the suffering which resulted from the present controversy, which was carried on by the aggressors with merchessness bordering upon barbarity. The hardships it entailed upon usuay innocent peopte were far-reaching. That brought upon those thrown into conspicuous bordering upon barbarity. The hardships it entailed upon many innocent peopte were far-reaching. That brought upon those thrown into conspicuous view, such as the brethren thrown into prison, constituted but a fragment of it. Many hearts were pained and torn beyond description, and he wondered conetimes how it was that men could be found who could deliberately legislate to produce such deplorable effects upon the innocent, and the administration of the laws thus made was no less vicious and hateful than the measures themselves. Notwithstanding the causes the Saints had for complaint against those who perpetrated such cruelties, upon them, they must not foster in their hearts a desire to inflict vengeance upon the perpetrators of the wrongs. They should follow Christ's teaching and example and climinate every sentiment of vindictiveness from their minds, for God had commanded his people to "forgive all men." The speaker touched upon the heroism that had been thus far dismanded his people to "forgive an men." The speaker touched upon the heroism that had been thus far displayed by the women of the Church. It was worthy of all com-

we will be perfect some day. We hope mendation. He advised his bearers, when they found sisters who were suffering in comparative solitude, to pour into their minds the itude, to pour into their minds the balm of sympathy and appreciation, as they should not be made to feel as it the cold shoulder of neglect had been turned toward them. The Almighty purposed, by the trials through which they would pass, to teach His people a lesson in reference to trusting in Him that would never be effaced. They would yet be so encompassed about that there would be no natural visible appearance of a possible deliverence. Then would his salvation be exhibited in power. The impression that would then be made would last for all time and would enable those who survived the ordeal to trust in the Lord forever.

ELDER SEYMOUR B. YOUNG

Addressed the congregation. He said he had been on a mission southward lately, to perform some labor in connection with the organization of the Seventies. He had attended a conference of St. Joseph Stake, Arizons, on March 20th and 21st. The meetings were well attended. The Spirit of God had been largely enjoyed. The facilities in that part of the country for new settlers were good, there being eligible tracts of land along the Gila River, to which water could be conveyed. He visited Maricopa Stake, and attended conference at Mesa City. A delightful part of the proceedings was the singing exercises performed by Indian brethren and sisters, rendered both in their own and the English language. The Twelve Apostles have shown excellent judgment in choosing the proper men to colonize and direct the energies of the people in those localities. The land is blessed by the Almighty, the labors of the Saints being rendered fruitful. Places heretofore barren soon bloom and produce the fruits of the earth.

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God has established the nucleus of His kingdom upon the earth. This was a desert land, arid and unnviting, when the people who had covenanted to serve the Almighty gathered to it. Before its settlement, men acquainted with the character of the region predicted that no people could subsist in it. The earth has been divinely blessed and made finitful, however, and the Saints have become a conspicuous and 'prosperous people. It is predicted by people who do not believe in the divinity of this work that the Saints must go to the wall in the present controversy. Another class who once were connected with the Church but have deaied the faith state that the Saints went into transgression when they adopted as a divine revelation the law of celestial marriage. The speaker said that instead of the Lord exhibiting displeasure because of the acceptance of that law, its practice had resulted in greater

Prayer by President Wm.W. Cluff, of Sumfoit Stake. The choir saug:

Praise ye the Lord! 'tis good to mise Your hearts and voices in His praise.

APOSTLE JOHN HENRY SMITH

addressed the congregation. He said he had arisen without having reflected as to the subject or topics upon which he should speak. The instructions given thus far during Conference have been of a character to eucourage us in making efforts to keep the commandments of God. The testimonies that have been borne should canse those who have not yet obtained a knowledge for themselves of the truth of the work they are connected with to strive to gain that great boon. The times are pregnant with great lessons, which can addressed the congregation. He said

be deduced from affairs abroad in the earth, and those at home. The existing condition ought to be a cause of rejoicing. The voice of jealousy is being hushed among us. The causes that would have tended to our segregation as a community are disappearing, while those which lead to a cementing of interests are increasing. Union is the necessary result of persecution. This is the opposite of the effect desired by those who resort to it. This work we are engaged in is but in intancy. The period of our existence is the epoch of patriotism. The fire of that sentiment which has characterized our fathers is being caught up by the children. In regard to the sufferings of those who have been placed in jeopardy and suffered imprisonment, they have created in them no spirit of fear. Such things but increase the desire of the true Latterday Saint to act well his part to the end. Some people hold that it requires more heroism to meet death than to face those wrougs which are being be deduced from affairs abroad in the and a some people noid that it requires more heroism to meet death than to face those wrongs which are being heaped upon the community. He that suffers patiently the penalties placed mpon him for sustaining conscientiously those principles he holds to be right is truly conrageous. It is more difficult to get thus they have more of the ly those principles he holds to be right is truly conrageous. It is more difficult to act thus than in a moment of enthusiasm; to sacrifice life in an important issue. The conds of the present struggle are not to be gained by a giving up of life—although it should not be withheld should necessity demand. They are to be attained by a patient, patrictic, determined meeting of obstacles, and making self-denying sacrifices in life for the cause of truth. Occasionally weak people adopt the heroic method by throwing their lives in the balauce by a resort to arms, and they are destroyed. History has exhibited this method of dealing with conflicting questions. How much more prolific of good has been the course of those who have confronted oppression with peaceful, yet not less determined means? The enemies of the Saints desire nothing more earnestly than that they should lay aside their peaceful and patient aspect and commit some overtact by a resort to physical force. It would form an excuse to attack them with the same means.

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ordinary degree of late. The privacy of their home circles has been ruthlessly and brutally invaded. Tender women and children have been insulted, and and children have been insuited, and sufferings have been heaped upon innocent people. The enemies of the Saints have blighted homes, spread terror and pain and sorrow. They have not done those things ignorantly. They have known what they have done. They do know what they are doing now. But while we are wronged we must not take into our hands the task of avenging ourselves upon those who are guilty of those things. We must feel that they are the the handsjof God, and that we would do them good if it should be within our power.

The speaker concluded by an exhor-

this evil should be undertaken as a specialty labor by the Church—in the various stakes and wards. He also bore a strong testimony to the divine mission of Joseph Smith and the work of which he was the honored founder, and with which we have the honor of being identified.

ELDER JACOB GATES

addressed the conference. He dwelt principally upon the introduction of the fulness of the Gospel of Christ through Joseph Smith the Prophet, and the organization of the Church 56 years ago. He referred to the predictions of the Prophets in reference to the establishment of the latter-day work of the Lord, showing their fulfillment in the travels and history of the Church. He predicted the final triumph of the work of God, through the power of truth. He bore testimony that the teachings and labors of the Prophet Joseph, his brother Hyrum and others—he having bern acquainted with them—were true and faithful.

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of the Presiding Bisbopric of the Church, was the concluding speaker. He alluded to the persecutions to which the Saints were subjected. He contended, however, that these conditions were compensated for by the increase of the power of God in the midst of the people and the many blessings that God was, in His loving kindness, bestowing upon the Saints. The educational character of the Gospei and the necessity of paying particular attention to the training of the young were points specially dwelt upon by the speaker. He held that the youth should be gradually trained, step by step, in the exercise of the powers and duties of the Priestbood. The duties of the lesser branch were particularly emphasized. He bore testimony that the Lord had set his hand to accomplish his purposes, and that they would be attained, and exhorted the Saints to envelop themselves in the cloak of His Spirit.

Apostle F. D. Richards announced that the Epistle of the First Presidency had been received and would be read on Tuesday morning, also that a Priesthood meeting would he held in the evening.

The choir sang an anthem

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Thine, O Lord is the greatness.

Elder S. W. Richards pronounced the benediction.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Tuesday, April 6th.

The choir sang:

What was witnessed in the heavens? Why, an angel earthward bound. Had he something with him bringing? Yes-the Gospel-joyful sound.

Prayer by Bishop David H. Cannon.

God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform,

was sung by the choir.

"The Epistle of the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in General Conference assembled," was read by Bishop Orson F. Whitney. The reading was about half completed at the conclusion of the foreign of session.

The anthem, "Praise the Lord," was snng by the choir.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock, with benediction by Apostle John Henry Smith.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The choir saug the hymn beginning: Behold the mountain of the Lord In latter days shall rise.

Prayer by Apostle Heber J. Grant was followed by the choir singing:

What wondrous things we now behold, By Prephets seen in days of old.

The reading of the Epistle of the First Presidency was resumed and completed by Elder James E. Talmage. By motion the sense of the people was expressed to the effect that the Conference continue for one more day. The choir sang :

The Sphit of God like a fire is burning; The latter-day glory begins to come forth

the congregation joining.
Adjourned till Wednesday, at 10 o'clock.

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