

It is anticipated that the tunnel extension will be completed this year.

There are several small concentrators at work, and there is still hope that the big concentrator talked of will be erected soon; but there is nothing definite known of the plans of the promoters, if indeed these are definite themselves.

The great Marsac mill is kept in steady operation on the ore, from the Daly. At the Ontario mill the amalgam process of reducing ore is in vogue, but the Russell leaching process at the Marsac is in much more favor. At the Marsac is produced silver 999.5 fine—the purest in the world.

There is considerable prospecting going on about Park City nowadays, and all the big mines but the Crescent are working. There is some work being done by a few leasers at the Crescent, but not much. The city, however, is full of bustle, and there is lots of work. Nearly or quite 5,000 people dwell there, and just at present there is not house-room for many more. Rents are high owing to there being few vacant houses; and the need for additional dwellings may be suggested by this, and the further fact that in April over fifty dwelling houses were erected in the city and many more are going up.

The largest building now proposed for the place is the new opera house, the plans of which are ready. Its erection will cost \$80,000. It is intended to be three story, and one of the finest in the city. Of other substantial buildings the city now has three school-houses which would be a credit to a much larger place.

About two years ago the Latter-day Saints organized a branch there, and now are in a flourishing condition. They have a splendid Sunday school, with an average attendance of 150. The presence of mothers of families is a notable feature of the school which could be imitated in other localities. The attendance at the Sunday evening meetings of the Saints is so large that at each meeting the available standing room is taken, and often people have to go away because they cannot gain admission, owing to the place being filled. This condition has led those in charge to consider the advisability of erecting a new meeting house, and last week the plans therefor were completed. The proposed structure will be 40x50 feet, and the upper room, entered from Park avenue, is intended for Sabbath meetings. The lower story is to have an entrance from Main street, as well as from the interior of the meeting room, and is to be used for Sunday school purposes. It will have one large hall and three class rooms. The cost of the whole will be about \$4,000.

Most of the buildings in the city are of wood, and a fire is liable to do considerable damage at almost any time, but the city is well supplied by water and has a good system of fire hydrants which reduce the danger from the devouring element. Good order and good health prevail generally among the inhabitants. This season has been very backward there and the people are quite ready for spring weather, which is just coming upon them. For the coming summer the prospects for business and employment are good.

ELDERS IN NORTH ALABAMA.

TUPELO, Lee Co., Miss.,

May 1, 1896.

Following are the names and addresses of the Elders of the North Alabama conference:

Albert Matheson and Rodney Ashby, Tupelo, Lee county, Ala.

W. S. Chipman, Frank Ballitt, Russellville, Franklin county, Ala.

W. W. Beckstead, Aaron Call, Tupelo, Lee county, Miss.

C. E. Owens, Joseph S. Bellows, Hanceville, Blount county, Ala.

David Hubbard, Adelbert Cranny, Helena, Shelby county, Ala.

John Hancock, Arthur Smith, Gantersville, Marshall county, Ala.

George F. Ashcroft, Thos. Rich, Tuscaloosa county, Ala.

W. T. Dotson, Jos. F. McGregor, Fayette, Fayette county, Ala.

Erastus Christensen, Peter Nielson, Tupelo, Lee county, Miss.

E. E. Hinckley, John Christensen, Cullman, Cullman county, Ala.

Chas. L. Haight, Wm. Pardoe, Holly Springs, Marshall county, Miss.

Edward F. Stevens, Jas. E. Brown, Sulligent, Lamar county, Ala.

Jas. A. Lee, Walter Tilton, Renfro, Talladega county, Ala.

O. L. Martin, Edward Reid, Hamilton, Marion county, Ala.

Geo. T. Wride, Walter H. Slack, Gadsden, Etowah county, Ala.

John D. Durfer, Ernest Ricks, Carrollton, Pickens county, Ala.

With the exception of one Elder our brethren are enjoying good health. This month opens with brighter prospects than we ever have had before. The Elders heartily thank you for your paper which they receive every week.

Your brother,

ALBERT MATHESON.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The regular religious services at the Tabernacle Sunday afternoon were presided over by Elder Henry P. Richards.

Choir sang:

Praise ye the Lord, my heart shall join
In work so pleasant, so divine.

Choir further sang:

Hark ye mortals. Hark ye still,
Voices from Cumorah's Hill.

Elder James S. Abbott, a missionary who recently returned from New Zealand was the first speaker. Upon arising, he was he said brought to a full realization of his weakness for he felt very keenly his inability to edify those who were assembled unless he was led and guided by the spirit of the Lord. The speaker first labored in the north end of New Zealand and afterwards was removed to the south end where he remained until his release. While laboring among the Maoris he had learned to love the natives, because he had been blessed with a knowledge of the fact that they were of the house of Israel. A great work has been and is being done in the Australasian mission and that spirit of hatred, enmity and prejudice which formerly existed was fast being supplanted by the spirit of the Gospel. Elder Abbott had had much joy in his missionary labors and felt that the time spent in the field had been one of the happiest periods of his

life. He felt pleased to think that he had been so greatly blessed as to be sent to the nations of the earth, and exhorted the young men to become familiar with Gospel principles to the end that they might be enabled to take up the places left vacant by their fathers and aged brethren, when they were called to leave this mortal sphere. In conclusion Elder Abbott by request made a few remarks in the Maori tongue.

Elder F. A. Hammond, president of the San Juan Stake next addressed the congregation. The remarks of the preceding speaker had brought to his mind the time when he had met a New Zealander on board a vessel upon which he was traveling. Little did he think at that time, that he would be privileged to sit and listen to the testimony of Elders who had returned home after having spent a few years promulgating the principles of life and salvation to the people of whose tribe that individual was a member. The Gospel, however, had to be preached to all nations of the earth, Jew and Gentile, bond and free, and the speaker felt that God's purposes were quickly being established in the earth. Jesus had said unto Nicodemus that unless a man was born of water and of the spirit he could not enter into the Kingdom of God. This condition must be complied with by all those who desired to gain the blessings which God had promised unto His people, and for the redemption of those who had not been privileged to live in this dispensation, Temples had been erected and opened that a vicarious work might there be performed for them.

The speaker's heart swelled with joy when he looked back upon and pondered over the condition of affairs in this part of the country when the Pioneers arrived here as compared with the conditions now existing. The site upon which the city of Salt Lake is now located, was at that time nothing but a barren wilderness, covered with sagebrush, infested with grasshoppers, crickets and other destructive insects and inhabited by a band of wild Indians. It was anything but a promising valley to look upon. To a casual observer, it appeared as though it would never be fit for the habitation of man. But the Saints camped here; Brother Brigham advised them to till the ground, serve the Lord and look to Him for blessing. The Saints did as they were bid; they were loyal to the cause which they had espoused and felt that obedience to counsel would bring them safely through. True, they had many difficulties and privations to contend with, but the Lord watched over them and brought them out victorious, until today the State of Utah is looked upon by all who visit here as one of the most beautiful and promising sections of country in the American Union. When the speaker pondered over these things, he felt that of all people upon the face of the earth the Latter-day Saints should be the most thankful. They had everything to be thankful for; the Gospel was being preached in all parts of the earth and its principles were being embraced and the membership of the Church increased, and it would continue to increase until God's