

Messrs. Godbe of this city and Nichols of Box Elder, is a substantial looking and apparently well built structure, judging by the sharp and well defined photograph of it which has been made.

But the points of greatest interest are those first mentioned, least known, and now for the first time photographed, though, we believe, they have been sketched before. Messrs. Savage & Ottinger deserve credit for their enterprise, in giving to the world, for the first time, correct views of these scenes and marvels of nature, which may be expected to be soon much sought after by those who admire nature in her wildest and sublimest moods.

The public will be interested in knowing that the great Shoshone Falls, or Snake River Falls, and absorbingly interesting natural wonders which abound in that region can be reached, within a short distance, by Wells, Fargo & Co's regular coaches on the northern line.

HOME ITEMS.

From the Daily of December 6.

BISHOPS' MEETING.—There was a very interesting Bishops' meeting at the City Hall last night, which was attended by President B. Young and D. H. Wells, B. Young, junr., Bishop Hunter and his Counselors L. W. Hardy and J. C. Little, with representatives from all the wards in the city and from Brighton Ward.

Various matters were the subject of remark by Bishop Hunter, who urged the payment of the P. E. Fund debts.

President Young invited the Bishops and their Counselors to attend the Theological class to be commenced next Monday evening at the City Hall.

The subject of the poor in this city was taken up and considered; and President Young moved that henceforth the Bishops take care of the poor in their several wards instead of their being supplied from the General Tithing Store as at present.

The motion elicited remarks from a number of the brethren, all of whom expressed their appreciation of its wisdom; and much interest was manifested in the condition of the poor, while a liberality was given expression to which was creditable to the heads and hearts of the speakers.

Bishop E. D. Woolley queried from what source the funds to sustain the poor were to be derived, whether from Tithing or donation.

President Young said that at the monthly fast day, in the days of Joseph, the Prophet, the brethren donated of their substance to help the poor; and that if the same were faithfully done now there would be more than enough to supply the wants of the poor in our midst. Those who thus exercise their liberality are proportionately blessed of the Lord—a principle, the truth of which was recognized by all present. He also recommended that a suitable building in each ward be used for the poor, that several persons may reside together, which he urged for the sake of economy, and for other reasons.

The President's remarks and suggestions met the hearty concurrence of the brethren present; and those who spoke expressed themselves warmly as to the good results which would arise from their practical application. It was decided that the counsel and suggestions given with regard to the poor should be acted upon immediately.

From the Daily of December 7.

NORTH OGDEN.—Mr. Henry Holmes, our agent in North Ogden, informs us by letter of the Dedication of the new meeting house there, on Sunday last, Dec. 1st. President Lorin Farr, Bishop C. W. West, and Elders Walter Thompson and Joseph Parry, of Ogden City, attended the meeting. President Farr offered the Dedication prayer; and with Bishop West and Elders Thompson and Parry gave much valuable instruction to the Saints, on a variety of subjects having a bearing upon their present and future welfare and happiness. The building is 31 by 24 feet, with a gallery 14 by 24 feet; and the means to build it was raised by voluntary contribution. They have also a good schoolhouse on the same block, 34 by 24 feet. Their day and Sunday Schools are well attended; and the Saints manifest a desire to assist in every good work. During the past season they have taken up twelve new farms, which have been fenced, under contract, by Mr. Elihu Warren, with lumber and good sawed posts, the whole being a valuable addition to their farming lands on which they hope to raise grain the coming season. Bro. Holmes speaks of the beautiful location of North Ogden, with the abundant resources of range, water and timber that they possess, which through the blessings of God, they hope to fully develop.

FROM SANPETE.—Our Special south, writing, informs us that the roads are in a very dilapidated condition in places. Once he was compelled to pull his buggy, horse and harness out of the mud by pieces. He speaks well of the public spirit manifested by Bro. D. Holladay, Bishop of Santaquin; and talks highly of the Sanpete brethren, who having been afflicted for a length of time by Indians are now well provided with the means of defence, and are making several public improvements, while performing their varied duties with energy and good spirit.

CHICKEN CREEK.—The following telegrams were received last night:

Chicken Creek, Dec. 6.
Pres. B. YOUNG.
Opened office at 6 p.m., Charles C. Jones, operator. Go to Fillmore to-morrow.

A. M. MUSSER.
Chicken Creek, Dec. 6.

Pres. BRIGHAM YOUNG.

We thank you heartily for the Telegraph Office just opened. Will try and appreciate the favor by living nearer our God. Please name for us our new settlement, beautiful for location, three miles north-east of this place and just surveyed.

ABRAHAM PALMER, Pres't.

From the Daily of December 9.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Elder J. C. Little referred to his early connection with the Church and the testimonies which he received, when called to accompany the Pioneers, that President

Brigham Young was the man chosen by the Lord to preside over the Church. He also related instances, which occurred in these valleys, of his having been sent to perform certain duties, and having promises made to him which he could not believe at the time would be fulfilled; yet they were verified to the very letter, proving that the inspiration of the Lord dictated them, and giving an assurance that evidence of the divine authority which directs through the Priesthood will follow obedience to its requirements.

Elder George Q. Cannon spoke of the movement now being made in favor of education, and urged the importance of the Saints being prepared for the great events that are rapidly approaching, by acquiring and storing up all the useful knowledge which they can obtain. He also urged upon mothers the great importance of the responsibilities placed upon them in training the young minds committed to their care.

Afternoon.

President B. Young instructed the congregation on various principles, and pointed out the best course to be adopted with regard to caring for our poor. They are very few in number, but they have to be provided for; and in drawing their support from the General Tithing Store much time is lost which might be usefully employed and turned to productive advantage. He recommended the Bishops to look after the poor in their various wards, to find a suitable place in each ward where they can reside and be comfortable, to find employment for the sisters at knitting, sewing, crocheting, lace-making, and similar kinds of work which they can do; and to find something for the brethren to do, who are not able to go out and cut and saw wood, or do any heavy labor, at bottoming chairs, making door mats of flags, weaving willow baskets, and such kinds of employment.

He referred to the origin of fast days in the Church, and their objects, one of which was to have the food of every kind that was saved by fasting donated for the use of the poor; and showed that if the flour, meat, fruit, &c., saved by one day's fasting of the whole community in a month, were placed in the hands of the Bishops for the poor, there would be more than enough to supply the wants of every person in the Territory, whose necessities would give them a claim upon the liberality of their richer brethren and sisters.

He also recommended that Female Relief Societies be immediately formed in the various wards, to look after the poor and minister to their wants.

His concluding remarks were on the subject of education, the value of which he impressed upon the congregation.

FROM THE EAST.—By letter to President B. Young from Elder H. G. Boyle, dated Springfield, Va., Nov. 8th, we learn that he and Br. Coray were, at the time of writing, well and busily engaged in fulfilling the duties of their mission. The unsettled condition of affairs in that State does not indicate a speedy return to the full blessings of peace, while the people are represented as having to a great extent lost confidence in their leaders, their clergy, and in themselves. Gloomy forebodings of future fill their minds; and they think they yet have to pass through still more bitter scenes in the future than in the past.

By letter from Elder John Brown, to the President, dated Aberdeen, Miss., Nov. 21, we learn that he and Elder Dusenberry were well. They found considerable inquiry being made for our works. Elder Brown was about starting north for Illinois; while Elder Dusenberry would remain in Mississippi.

Correspondence.

[From Our Foreign Correspondent.]
FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS TO THE ALPS.

ACROSS THE SEA.

The good English steamer "Manhattan" was the vessel that took some of us Traveling Elders across the sea. If some of those who went down upon the sea the first time may have realized an uncomfortable feeling in the beginning, it wore off when the beautiful summer afternoon unfolded to us the magnificent scenery of New York harbor, which gradually receding and sinking down into the immense expanse of water, presented so lovely an aspect that everybody cheerfully accepted it as a good omen of a prosperous journey.

Republicanism, democracy and all the principles of the modern school of politicians are *non est* on board a ship. There it has been found expedient to retain the old monarchical system, without even any of those constitutional modifications that have been the yeast in the political bread-baking of Europe for the last century. Even the society on board has its distinct caste, inasmuch as the captain and officers only associate with the first cabin passengers, as the aristocracy of the little kingdom; while the steerage passengers, as the plebeians, are left to the care of under stewards, whose attentions are in exact proportion to the little considerations you may feel inclined or able to bestow from time to time. The crew contained as beautiful specimens of the genus "ruffian" as the most fastidious disciple of Lavater could have wished for.

A great portion of the other steerage passengers being from the Green Isle, returning thither under various pretenses, we soon found out some real live Fenians who seemed willing to go the whole length for the redemption of Ireland. Now, sir, it was not the first time that I met champions of independence and revolution, having done something in that line myself once; but I always had been under the impression that in such affairs not only muscle but false

brain, besides a plan for tearing down as well as one for building up again, and after the calculations for success in fight also the idea of a regulated peace—are indispensable requisites of a revolution; here, however, I observed of the second named proposition nothing at all, and of the first ones very little to justify any sensible man to engage in such an enterprise. Erin is a lovely land when her green and hilly shores rise up before you on emerging from the desert of the endless ocean, and such a country should be inhabited by a free and prosperous people, as it once has been. The causes which have produced the present condition of its inhabitants would require more time to discuss than I have to spare.

That the presence of twenty-four "Mormon" elders on board the ship would soon attract the curiosity of some of our fellow travelers, we expected as a matter of course; and it was not long before a minister of the Methodist Church requested an interview with your humble servant, which was participated in by several other gentlemen of the first cabin. It would be perfectly superfluous to recapitulate here all the various topics discussed, as they are familiar to every elder of any experience, but my arguments and ideas appeared to my interrogators of such novelty that, at their particular request, the first interview was soon followed by many more, each one occupying sometimes several hours; on all of these occasions, however, these strangers never violated the respect which one gentleman owes another, nor made any remarks in the least indicative of animosity against our principles, polygamy excepted, upon which latter, beyond my testimony to its divine origin, I had declined on the start any discussion, as I had been sent to preach the first principles of the Gospel, which instruction I calculated to adhere to until otherwise directed. These gentlemen went even so far as to request the captain to give us permission for holding a meeting on deck, in which, at the close, the reverend gentleman addressed the brethren in words that not very often may have been spoken by a Methodist minister to a "Mormon" congregation, and which did honor to his heart and principles as a man.

If the beginning of our voyage presented us with all the indications of a pleasure trip, we were destined, nevertheless, to experience rough weather almost all the way through; and the usual cold spell and stormy weather near the banks of Newfoundland put on extra airs at the occasion of our approach. But, to complain of the inconvenience of a voyage across the sea now that you can do it in a steamer in about two weeks, instead of, as formerly, in a sailing vessel being obliged to endure it for nearly three times as long, would be unjustifiable even in a steerage passenger, with ship-crackers for supper every day, and hard dumpings for dinner three times a week.

Every journey leads, finally, somewhere; and so did ours. We arrived at Liverpool, being welcomed on board by President Franklin D. Richards and Bros. Preston and Penrose. Thus ends our voyage across the sea, and its description, and the material for my next communication lies before me: "Through England."

KARL G. MAESER.

HERISAU, Cant. Appenzell, }
October 28, 1867. }

LOGAN, CACHE CO., Nov. 29, 1867.

Editor Deseret News.—Dear Brother: On the 22nd inst., Pres. E. T. Benson, accompanied by Bishop Wm. Budge and Elder W. H. Shearman, left this place on a short missionary tour through the northern settlements of this county, and the Malad Valley. It was the design to hold meeting in Franklin, on Friday evening, but the severe storm prevented. The elders met with the warmest reception at Oxford, where three meetings were held on Sunday, and a Sunday School was organized, under the superintendency of bro. N. Brimhall. They have a very good log meeting room in the settlement, 19 by 39, and, although the people have had to move several times, their spirit of enterprise is not quenched, but they confidently expect—as they have a right to—from the excellent facilities around them—to establish a prosperous and large settlement.

At this place the company was joined by Bishop Wm. Nelson and Elders N. Brimhall and Jas. Clements. Arriving at Woodland's Station, Marsh Valley, about 150 miles north of Salt Lake City, they were received with every manifestation of kindness by Sister Woodland, her husband being absent in the city. At Malad City, Bishop Daniels and many others were rejoiced to see the

brethren, and extended every courtesy in their power. The school-house was crowded in the evening by persons of various persuasions, and a very excellent meeting was held. This valley appears to be remarkably adapted to stock raising, but not so good for agricultural purposes as some other sections of the country; still it has many advantages, a large extent of tillable land, and will, undoubtedly, yet be thickly populated.

Bishop Daniels is a faithful and energetic man, and he does not forget to strongly recommend the DESERET NEWS and *Juvenile Instructor*; he hopes to add largely to his list of subscribers to both of these papers.

On Tuesday the party proceeded to Bear River where they were truly surprised to see the changes that have been wrought in so short a time by the capital and energy of Messrs. Godbe & Hampton of your city. The hotel is an excellent rock building which, in its appearance and accommodations, would be a credit to any community. The hotel and store, together with the granaries, storehouses and shops of the company, make quite a picturesque little village. The bridge is approached from both sides of the river by splendid dugways, which reflect credit upon the proprietors and makers. One was made by Messrs. Godbe & Hampton, the other by Wells, Fargo & Co. One thing deserves special mention—there was no liquor for sale on the premises, neither was there any drunkenness nor profanity witnessed during the visit of the party. Pres. Benson and company were most kindly entertained by Sisters Hampton and Grant and bro. F. H. Young and family, the worthy, genial and energetic "Ben" being absent in your city. The improvements made by Messrs. Godbe and Hampton have been very expensive, the bridge alone requiring the outlay of a nice little fortune, but the increasing travel and the rapid development and settling of the northern country promise to make it a permanently profitable investment.

Elder F. W. Young accompanied the missionaries to Clarkston on Wednesday, where Bishop Littlewood provided a good fire, a good meeting and a good dinner, three blessings which were all appreciated. The land in this place is excelled by none in the Territory. The Bishop is full of the spirit of his calling and alive to the physical, mental, and spiritual wants and progress of his people. A rather late drive brought the party to Weston where they met with that reception, from Bishop John Maughan and family and others, which Saints alone can give and appreciate. As the night was cold and stormy the hospitable and cheerful firesides were doubly welcome. A crowded meeting was held in one of the Saints' houses from 7 till 10 p.m., and as no one seemed weary you will conclude that a good and lively spirit was manifested. The appointment of Br. John to the office of Bishop seems to be one of those fortunate selections which it is not always possible to make. Bro. James Mack has erected a substantial stone grist mill at this place, 40 by 25, one run of stone, designed for two. Though not quite completed, it has already made some very fair flour. It is a great blessing to the citizens of Clarkston and Weston, and will, doubtless, give an impetus to the settling up of that side of Bear River. Both of those settlements have every facility for extending their borders and may, in a few years, become prosperous and even wealthy, if their citizens will give heed to the counsels imparted to them.

It is impossible to notice every person or every particular without being too tedious; the brethren experienced nothing but kindness everywhere they went, and their hearts were full of blessings for the Saints, and gratitude to the Lord for the gospel which so united the hearts of those who love it, and produces such peaceful and happy results. Bros. Nelson, Brimhall and Clements were untiring in their attention, and contributed not a little, by their kindness, to the comfort and pleasure of the journey.

The correct education of the young, the establishment of day, Sunday, and evening schools, home manufactures, patient and persevering labor in establishing and beautifying homes for ourselves and children, the cultivation of a solid, settled and reliable character, sustaining the DESERET NEWS, *Juvenile Instructor* and other kindred topics formed the subject of discourse. The Spirit of the Lord was graciously present in the meeting, and speakers and hearers were mutually benefitted.

Praying that you may, and fully believing that you will, enjoy the blessing of the Lord and success in your present labors.

Yours very truly,
W. H. S.