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Leaders of the Church Practical Men of Affairs.

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by the Spirit of the Lord in my ks, that I may be inspired to say along that shall be edifying to who are present. This is a very congregation. We have repre-tives here this morning. I pre-from all the stakes of Zion, 55 aber, and representatives from of the missions of the world, of there are 21. We have repreas also from a great number of or 700 wards of the Church, ro before us a good many of dencies of the stakes of Zion, uld like to say a word in rethese leading men. They are actical men, well acquainted affairs of life; men of ex-and understanding, occupied us avocations; men who are be spiritual and temporal s of the people; men who should d no doubt are, able by their ence, to give counsel and to di-Among them are farmers, stockontractors and builders, masons ters, blacksmiths, merchants ducators, literary men-and m preachers of the Gospel so situated that they must for their families and educate ildren, and of necessity they opted these various callings, professional men, tradesmer This is all very wel and proper, we think. They give their entire time to the ecause they are not situated an. I presume there is enough the Church to take their ongive it, and it may be that they does not design at present that hould do so. For this reason they be practical men, acquainted with fairs of life and he prepared to cunsel when it is sought.

brethren and sisters, there is al side to the Gospel, and a temporal side, and it is diffi-find a dividing line. I do not not there is any dividing line, if e never been quite able to dis-I suppose we may say firstly and secondly temporal, and do, perhaps, firstly temporal adly spiritual; for the last shall and the first shall be last, nen, by their experience, are to be spiritual leaders of the to expound the Scriptures and tem the way of life; and their ce also qualifies them to be leaders of the people, and to counsel in matters pertain their temporal interests. 3374 onizers among these presidents takes-men who can blaze the wa wilderness and subdue the sol part subdue the elements also a can build up the country and suc establish the Saints, by the of their counsel, in these new s. There is one president of a (I do not know but he reported one of our conferences ook hold of a business enterpris that was something like \$20,000 in dot. It was given into the charge of this president of a stake, this spiritual lader of Latter-day Saints, and mside two or three years, by his wisdom, enstience, and ability, the enterprise invited to come and trade on cash hasis; flie counsel went from hat president to his people to do their numbers on that line, pay as they went sions and the result was as stated. I take it, brethren and sisters, that such is a part of the Gospel, at least it seems to me. I hope every president of a Stake, and Counselor, and High Coun or, are teaching this doctrine to the Latter-day Saints, and encouraging them to get out of debt and keep out. That is a part of the word of the Lord to the Latter-day Salnis. This prac-tical man has given us a splendid illuson of this; and if he was able, by skill and ability which God had to pull that business out of assment, surely he was in an to give counsel to others in the direction. This is only one case, ther Presidents of Stakes who us, with their Counselors, ading, practical men. They -cided, not narrow-minded, ot men of only one idea, but ve comprohensive views of life. seems necessary, in the proviergage in the uffairs of life, and be MISSIONARIES FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. It is much the same with the misthree whom we are sending out the world. Some of them, it is true, ful some unmarried; but uy of them are men of experience aporal as well as in spir-affairs. Our missionaries are not trained theologians, they have no diplomas from theological semin-aries, but they are picked up just as we find them. They are taken from the rkshop, the store, the farm, the om, the office, from the variavecations of life, wherever the selects them, and they are sent Freach the Gospel. But them, perhaps the majority, the men. They are not men-ting around in the clouds, to practical men. ond the bounds of time and in the world, dealing ridly things, as well as with ings. It often happens that trice sit down and expound tres, and teach the word of a and then, if occasion reinto the field, take hold of the turn a furrow, or go to the bench and engage in build-is often done by our miswhen help of that kind is i perhaps cannot be obtained those who are interested I. In Samoa, on the Sandds, or on other islands of a meeting-house is required naries assist in building it. built and furnished by the teir own hands, they enter the preach the Gospel. I call that our Elders are happy that our Elders are happy that these Presidents of Stakes Counselors, the High Coun-Bishops of Wards and their ore (who are fust as practical hit as the Previdents of Stakes) enhamedto engage in honest lathat would you think of sideni of a Stake with al off, clad in over-owing the plow, turning up the President. 1203 ultivating it, and then, after a day's toll, going to a conference meeting, and preaching the Goenet brist to the people of his stake" I you not think it a commendable of Could be set a better example his people than that? I think not. liner and sisters; and Zion is not the oure in heart, but it is Zion consists of cities, is and villages containing build. " will include the holy div and white tomple of find which te to it. Those are temporal office, means hard work, application, devo territion of meens and times and will require the physical and spirit. strength and pawer of the people God. Zich is to flourish upon the Another thing, brethren and elsters, an not going to tell you something and it will be made to flourish in

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grethren and sisters. I desire, the w maments that I may occupy, to be dided by the Spirit or the Lord in my fided by the Spirit or the Lord in my these leaders in Zion who stand at the head of stakes and wards, and who preside over the people in the church. I have been saying to you that they are practical men of affairs. Now let me say to you that the general authoritles of the Church are included among those practical men, and have been so from the beginning. Have they been spiritual men? Yes; the Lord knows they have been and are mint knows they have been and are spirit-ually-minded. Have they been tem-poral, practical men? Yes; the Lord knows, and you know they are and have been. You take the Prophet Joseph Smith, the great prophet of the indication the sector. We have been true, that the nineteenth century. told here, and it is true, that Father and the Son appeared to him God spake to him, and gave mighty revelations and glorious manifestations to the Church through him; yea the divine revelations that are pub-lished in the Book of Doctrine and Covemants, and I tell you we have not ot begun to appreciate their depths. oubt if we can fully comprehend hom in mortality. They are all true, all from the Lord, and have been ac-cepted and adopted by the Church. We understand them in part. We have glorious glimpses of the future through these revelations. Was Joseph Smith a spiritually-minded man? Yes. Was he a temporal, practical man? Yes. Besides his labors of a spiritual char-actor, he engaged in the founding of cities, in establishing the Latterday Saints in their homes, advising and directing their labors and movements, temporal as well as spiritual. He founded the beautiful city of Nauvoo, and was the mayor thereof. Joseph Smith, the prophet, mayor of the City of Nauvoo! Yes, and lieutenant-gen-eral of the Nauvoo Legion, a military man, and he had the spirit and cour-age of a great leader. He was a leader as a military man, as a temporal man, and as a spiritual man. He was broad and liberal in his views; and if he had not been disturbed and interhe had hot been disturbed and inter-rupted in his plans. Nauvoo would have been one of the most glorious cities ever founded in this country. The people there are now anxious to have us go back and give them the benefit of some of the practical things ters that interest them in the building up of Zion. I rejaice in it, and it is just as much a testimony to me of the truth of the Gospel as any testimony I have ever had. Yet I know that this is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I know that Joseph Smith was a Prophet of which they see we are doing in this country. CHARACTER OF BRIGHAM YOUNG.

> President Brigham Young who orenzo Snow and Joseph F. Smithsucceeded Joseph Smith, was a practical man. He was a Prophet. ple, Prophets of God, and they have been and are worthy of our support. Seer and Revelator, and he was a financier and colonizer. There was a wonderful combination in President both temporally and spiritually, Young's character. He was just the man suited to the times, fitted to the occasion; was right on hand when God wanted him. How intensely pracbless you. Amen. RETURNED MISSIONARIES. tical was Brigham Young, and yet how spiritually-minded! I do not know that we ever had a man in the Church Elder Carl L. Smart of Logan, Cache Co. passed through this city May 24, on his return from the Samoan mission, whither be was sent Feb. 14, 1966. The Upolu conference was his field of labor. that we ever had a man in the Church who, in some respects, was more spirit-ually-minded; certainly no man was ever more practical in his views and counsels. I could not do justice to the Prophet Joseph Smith, or to Brigham Young, if I stood here and talked for 10 hours, the theme is too big for me. But we know many of the things

member it very well) and appealed to them, and through them to the Church, to give this enterprise heartfelt sup-port and approval. And when it seemed that it must be abandoned circum-stances being such that it looked as if the enterprise would fail, and the Church being involved so that it could not altogether render the help needed, a few of the leading brethren would not relinquish it, and the President of the Church said it must not fall My brethren and sisters, you know the result, you know in general the status of this great industry. I could not speak in detail of all the su-gar factories, for they are multiplying on every hand; but I will speak of the Utah Sugar Company, because that is the ploneer company in Utah, and it includes the factories at Lehl and at Garland. Let me tell you something of what they did last year. They manufactured something like thirty million pounds of sugar, from sugar beets grown upon our soil. These beets were not imported from distant countries, they were grown here by our formers. What a fremendous power that is for good in the temporal affairs of this people! Think of the effort that has been put forth! Think of what it means to the community! It means that something like 450 employes were enguged in this work, and that \$178,000 was paid to these employes, to help sustain them and their families, to provide food, raiment and edu-cation for their children. It means that something like \$629,000 was paid out in cash to the farmers of this State for beets. Could you put your soll to better use! Could you cultivate It more profitably, you farmers of the State? Here is \$620,000 realized by the people to help them, and to build then up temporally. I call that Corpet. The world may call it what they please.) call it a part of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Twenty-five thousand dollars was paid to the railroads of this State for the transportation of beets; \$36,000 was paid for labor connected with the raising of beets by the factory, making a total that was paid out on the beet account alone of something like \$652,000 -all for the good and benefit and blessing of the people of Zion. That is one of the ways Zion is being built up. So I say that our leaders of today are practical men, spiritual and temporal men. They are prepared to give coun-sel to the Latter-day Saints in all mat-

March 6, 1902. The Upolu, Tututla and Ma nua conferences were his fields of labor HAY'S Hairhealth Keeps You Looking Young Geo. F. Rawlins of Lewision

Cache county, passed through this city May 26, 1988, on his return from the Southern States mission, where, since March 25, 1985, he has been laboring in the South Carolina and Georgia conferences. FREE SAMPLES Hatracalth and Satabealt

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tion, they could not get away from it. They called the Presidents of Stakes and their Counselors together (I re-All the missionnies reporting this week in good hea As a rule they various, fields Atlantic Ga. s are making present time, the interested in their Mapusaga is lo a a prospercus ule are very ontend with ng at times. He intry as a result of the la

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But we know many of the things these men did. One great practical thing that President Young did was the establishment of that splendid was the establishment of that spiendid institution near the corner here known as Z. C. M. I. He sought to develop the principle of co-operation among this people. He counseled it, directed it, and gave his soul to the movement of the solid was precisery. He imso far as it was necessary. He im-pressed its importance and advantages upon the hearts of the people. And what a terrific struggle Z. M. C. I. had! It almost work under during the It almost went under during the great panic of those early days, and its stock went down to about 35 cents on the dollar. Where is it now? Why, it is collar, where is it now? Why, it is searing so high that it can searcely be obtained. It is away beyond par. Erigham Young counseled the Latter-day Sainis to hold their Z. C. M. I stock and not to sell it. That is what this practical Prophet said to the people, and those that followed his counsel did well, because the stock has been standily. that followed his counsel did well, because the stock has been steadily advancing, and the institution is most powerful and influential today. It has been able to steady the market in this country and to regulate prices. Of course, there are other strong institu-tions here, not only among the Lat-ter-day Saints, but among our friends in this city: but Z. C. M. I. dates back into the early years, and it was a great movement, in fact, it was ahead of the times. During the past year Z. C. M. I. did a buildness of about four and a half millions of dollars, and it is giving em-

millions of dollars, and it is giving em-ployment to about five hundred persons, and is paying to these employes about 250,000 every year. In view of these facts you can answer whether Z. C. M. I is essential to this country and peo-ple, whether it is helpful to them, ple, whether it is helpful to them, whether it is worthy of their sympathy and support.

THE CHURCH AND HOME INDUS-TRIES.

A word in relation to the manufac-turing departments of Z. C. M. I. which, it seems to me, are very important factors. I do not know whether the Lat-ter-day Saints fully understand it or not, but it should be known that it is quite an extensive feature of the busipairs of boots and shoes were manu-factured by Z. C. M. L-a product of home industry, made right here! Is not this a satisfaction, and worthy of our attention and thought? Then there is the overall department. I read in the Descret News last fall, from a report made at the Fair, that Z. C. M. I. had manufactured something like 216,000 dozen puirs of everalls in the past year. They had taken the denims, cut it up, and made it into overalls, giving employment to the people, helping sustain their families, ns well as add-ing to the success of the institution. And this great principle of co-opera-tion and home manufacture was not forth by Brigham Young: but that is only one instance of his practical work and teaching. Those who have succeeded President

Young have also been practical men. Brother John Taylor, in an early day, under the direction of President Young, brought sugar manufacturing machin-ery from France, and an effort was made to establish the sugar industry in this country. But the machinery then this country. But the machinery then was very imperfect and could not be used to advantage. Thousands of dol-lars were expended in its purchase and to bring it across the water and the plains in order, if possible, to estab-lish the sugar industry here. That is a temporal matter Would whereall it a temporal matter. Would you call it Would you call It I know it is a glorious thing, and very practical. The motive was to benefit and bless the people, and put them on a self-sustaining, self-supporting basis, so that this would indeed be Zion to them. But this question of manufac-turing sugar did not end with the efforts of President Young and President John Taylor. It was too important. It not rest, so it comes up like Banquo's ghost. Like the Phoenix It has arisen from the sames of the past, and has become a settled indus-try. But few among this great concregation know the effort it cost to estab-lish these sugar factories in the land. Many sleepless nights were given to consideration of this subject by Pres-

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Elder Samuel Smith of Wilford Fre-nont Co. Idaho, passed through this city day 24, on his return from the Samoan

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I know that these practical men have succeeded him-Brigham

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ung, John Taylor, Wilford Woodruff.

Elder Samuel J. Lindsay of Taylorsville, Salt Lake county, returned May 24, from the Central States mission, where he has been laboring since March 22, 1994, in the Oklahoma conference, presiding there during the last 15 months

Eider Jens Peter Jensen Östrup of Lo-gan. Cache county, Utah, passed through this city May 25, on lds way home from the Scandbavian mission, for which he was set apart April 15, 1864. The Aalborg conference was his field of labor.

Elder George A. Sinckins of Springville, Utah county, who was set apart June 2, 1963, returned May 25, from the South African mission, where he labored in the towns of Port Elizabeth, Grahamstown, East London and Woodstock,

county, 102 A. Bird of Rexburg, Fremont May 26, on his return from the New Zea-land mission, whither he was sent April 7, 1901. The Waunrapa, Hawke's Hay, Walkato and Walrau conferences were his fields of labor.

Elder John Thorne Davis of Aften, Units county, Wyoming passed through this city May 25, returning from the New Zealand mission, for which he was set apart Feb. 5, 1964. The Hawke's Bay, Can-terbury and Waikato conferences were his fields of tabor.

Elder Claude Q. Cannon of Sait Lake City returned May 25 from the Samoan mission, for which he was set apart

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