

NORTHWESTERN STATES



of any possibility of the latter so long as the fire department over head was so abundantly in evidence.

But after getting thoroughly located in our apartments and rested out a little, we soon forgot the past and began contemplating the future, and accordingly prepared ourselves and partook of a jolly good supper. In the meantime, or all the while we had been doing our tollet and dining. I had made use of the first good opportunity to see how well I was yet able to "parter" Dunch, and indeed I was not long in finding out. I thought I was ing fine, however, and was all offed up in the pride of my heart," my splendid effort until those freaky THE MISSIONARY FIELDS ittle "dienat meises (servant girls) began to smile a broad Dutch smile and to show evidences of being in a ery distressed condition of mind try-THE MISSION IN HOLLAND the to decide in what language I was really trying to talk-French, German, Irish or English. Dutch, quite evident-ly, never entered their bewildered An Interesting Letter from Elder A. Farrel heads, neither did the explanations made to enlighten them on the subject But I went on talking and they went o misunderstanding, and the way they in-sisted on keeping it up, you would imagine that the very much to be la-mented event of the confounding of the languages, as at the Tower of Babel, had been repeated. You never wit-neared areh a honelessly untargleable First Impressions - Arrangements for nessed such a hopelessly untangleable predicament. Cold shivers and hot Of a private letter from Elder A. Farrell, dated Rotterdam, June 30, 1990.

flushes take possession of me whenever flushes take possession of me whenever I think of it, even now. And thus did I introduce myself and party to the much abused, yet forbearing, good, kind, sincers, energetic, reverential, persevering, and exceptionally hospita-ble Hollander Hollander.

We remained in Rotterdam a few days, making the acquaintance of the mission president and Elders, and re-newing acquaintances with the yet good and faithful eld Saints of my former mission in 1890-3, when my wife and I (brother and sister Thatcher remaining in Rotterdam), were appointed to labor in Amsterdam under Elder R. N. Hill, who was then very successful-ly directing operations in that confer-

ence. Here we spent a month in the happy association of both Elders and Saints, while brushing up on the language pre-paratory to getting down to conscien-tious work proclaiming the Gospel mesage. At the expiration of one month's sojourn in Amsterdam we had the priv-lifere of making the further acquaint-ance of two of the church's stalwart ance of two of the church's stalwart and very able representatives in the persons of Elder Rulon S. Wells and Joseph W. McMurrin of the European presidency (Brother Edwin F. Parry, another of just such men, second counselor to President Wells, we mot in Liverpool on our way over, and whose This brings us now about up to date 142 we shall him at and when looking back over the two years and ten months that have past. tirely forget), as they passed through en route to Great Britain from an excarefully enumerating, and honestly tended tour through the continental missions. During their stay we held knowledging the vastness of God's goodness toward us. I often become dismissions. some very fine meetings, especially Priesthood meetings, where we were ouraged and my heart grows faint at my woeful unworthiness as a recipi-ent of these manifold blessings. We given excellent counsel, and instructed very thoroughly as regarding our rehave never been forsaken. Whenever we had need to seek, we always found: spective duties in the ministry. Before leaving Amsterdam and In if we knocked, it was opened to us; and when asking, if in righteousness, no making adjustments for the future they appointed me to preside over the mis matter when or where, the Lord did invariably heed, with an ever inclining I was poorly prepared for a surprise of this kind, of course, having made up my mind that I would enjoy a We have had our trials and reear. verses, of course, but not many; and clean uninterrupted sweep among the people during this mission, and had been carefully laying plans and "buildwhat we have had we have tried to bear patiently and without murmuring Now I must close. Hoping this may find you well and in the enjoyment of ing castles" to that end; but alas! this demolished the whole and every good blessing, I remain, knocked all that I had contemplated in Your affectionate so to a mere recollection. I accepted the call, however, though with much fear ALFRED FARRELL. and trembling, and accordingly accom-panied them (Brothers Wells and Mo-Murrin) with my wife back to Rotter-dam, where we established our perma-FROM THE FAR NORTH. A Conference of Saints in the Historical Nidaros, Norway, nent headquarters, and where we have with the enemy. latter ought our main fight; i. e., conjointly, Trondhjem, Norway,

ource of real comfort, and only desirable place of recreation. Our worked branches are all in a healthy, flourishing condi-tion. In Rotterdam and Amster-dam we have two in each place

opened up, they have given such good results that we would like to open up still another, if we but had missionary material sufficient to manipulate them

all. There is no question but what we have an excellent field here in the Neth-erland; the crop is a decidedly heavy one, and stands ripe for the harvest, but, very sorry to say, the laborers are insufficient both in strength and in numbers to gather it in. It seems really too bad, of course, but it cannot be belowed and we must needs be cone helped, and we must needs be con-

As our membership developed in numbers and kinds, accompanied by the natural increase of business and responsibility, the necessity of branching out and improving, if possible, in such directions as the influx of business required, soon became very apparent. We began by changing the system of controlling our finances, and managed, be-fore the close of '95, to get this branch of our work in aplendid running order. Next thing demanding our immediate attention was the matter of membership records, the old ones being unsatisfac-tory and incomplete (no one to blame, however, than myself, as I had them made when here before), as well as full running over, in fact, and were there-fore unserviceable so far as additional business was concerned. Early in ' we made an entirely new style recor Early in '8 arranged especially to cover the needs of this field, and by the end of the year we had them (one for each conference and one for the general mission) com-pleted and all the current names of

the entire mission transcribed into them. It was a big undertaking, but one giving much satisfaction now that it is completed. In this same year ('99) we completed the compilation of our new hymn book. The work contains 175 pieces, set to four-part music. Nearly 75 per cent of the pieces being Zion's hymns -those most appropriate for our use-

translated; the remaining numbers are elections from various other works. The book, as a whole, seems to be ex-actly what we have long been in need of, and will, no doubt, furnish the Saints and Elders with song material for some number of years to come. 1 forward you a copy by this mail, under separate cover,

To make sure that we would be busy and have plenty to do at meantimes, even "while we rested," we set to work translating and working up our assortment of tracts and books, un-til now we have a sufficient stock on hand to supply, and plenty of room to work, fully as many again men as

to work, fully as many again men as we have at the present time. Financially we are well afloat and a good stiff breeze, in the shape of free-will contributions, fills the sails, as our craft galantly plows her way through an exceptionally bolsterous and perpet-ual sea of daily and ever recurring ex-penses. We have just been passing through a grievous squall, 'its true, but the borizon showing exidences of a calm the horizon showing evidences of a calm we will keep cool and be hopeful.

A Very Profitable Conference in Portland, Oregon,

The Bapid Growth of the Mission in Minnesota-A Pleasant Trip.

The joint conference of the Portland and Salem conferences, held in Portland, June 24th, 1900, was a grand success. Elder John Henry Smith, of the Council of Apostles, paid us a visit. The conference convened at 10 a. m., Elders John Henry Smith and F. S. Bramwell were the main speakers. They spoke of the rapid growth of the Northwestern States mission

Reports from the different confernces and Elders were given, showing that there have been quite a number of souls added to the fold.

Our tithing report is very satisfac-

There were present about forty-three Elders, by far the largest gathering that has taken place heretofore in this

On Monday, June 25th, a Priesthood meeting was held. Elder John Henry Smith and our president gave the Elders some very good instructions. After assigning the Elders to their respective fields of labor, the conference and Priesthood meeting were adjourned.

Friesthood meeting were adjourned. Elder John Henry Smith accepted an invitation to hold, or attend, some meetings on his return trip. So notice was given out that there would be a meeting held at La Grande, Oregon, on the evening of the 26th. Upon the on the evening of the zoth. Opon the arrival at La Grande, Elder Bram-well and Mr. Causey escorted Brother Smith through the agricultural portion of Grand Ronde Valley. All were de-lighted with the prosperity of the coun-

The beet industry is a thorough success. Many comfortable homes can be made in this valley. In the evening we repaired to the hall in La Grande where Elders John Henry Smith and H. A. Bramwell spoke upon the principles of the Gospel to a large and attentive congregation

Arrangements having been made to held a meeting at Medical Springs the following evening at accrete springs dis following evening, the company made a drive of thirty-five miles, L. J. Jardine and Brother O. O. Crockett furnishing teams. This meeting was excellent. The company, after holding the above meeting, made their way over hills and valleys to Baker City a distance of 20 valleys to Baker City, a distance of 20 miles, arrangements having previously been made to hold meeting there. We found the meeting house well filled. Elder Bird made a few timely remarks, followed by Elder Smith, who dwelt

largely upon honesty and obedience. We feel sure that there will be many souls added to the fold in the North-western States mission, as the Elders are making many kind and loving friends. Many are becoming interested in the principles of the everlasting Gospel. While writing on the growth of this mission I am reminded of the differ-ence in effect when man speaks his opinion, and God speaks through His Prophets. Just prior to the opening of this mission one of the noted writ-ers wrote in a Montana journal that they would not allow "Mormonsism" to be taught in that State, and that if attempts were made to proselyte there would be trouble. However, the voice of God was heard through President George Q. Cannon that the Gospel should be preached and that there ould be wards, and I believe he said Stakes would spring up in this mission. This prediction has been forthwith ful-filled. We have quite a number of branches organized and very good pros pects of growth. This is evidence that oses and God disposes man pros Elder Bramwell, with other Elders of aith, were the first to stand with trembling knees and say that God has sent us with the message of life salvation to this State (namely, Mon-tant). They little dreamed that they would live to see such a change. H. A. BRAMWELL.

Elders engaged in explaining the principles of sternal truth come in contact with different people. Some Elders in presenting their tracts will say: "We are ministers of the Gospel representin the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints, and we have a small tract we would be pleased to give you, the contents of which will explain to some extent our religious views. We believe the Gospel established by our Savier to be an everlasting one, and would have remained as such upon the earth had remained as such upon the earth had It not been for the people violating its sacred ordinances, principles, gifts and blessings which characterized it in primitive times." Such a saying ef-fects people in different ways. Some have but little to say; others will slam the door in your face, but while doing so a quick volume of bitter words will escape from their lips; while others again will listen with much attention to you, and join you in a pleasant and interesting Gospel conversation.

interesting Gospel conversation. On the 2nd inst., Elders William G. Hayward and Oliver W. Gale, who had previosuly labored in this conference, ame from Butte to visit Saints and riends, and to spend the Fourth of July. They took us by surprise, but July. how we rejoiced to see our brethren! The meeting warmed our hearts with joy and gladness. On the Fourth the people of this district met to celebrate the national holiday. The grounds upon which the Saints and friends gathered were very appropriate. They are owned by Brother Wm. Worwood, and

are equipped with a beautiful park, fish ponds, etc. A program was rendered in a pleasing manner. After the program an excellent picnic was served

The "News" is ever welcomed by us, and is a great power in expounding the truth. C. F. JENSEN JR. President of the Gallatin Conferense.

A MISSIONARY'S EXPERIENCE.

Sickness No Obstacle to His Going Out as a Gospel Messenger.

Egersund, Norway, June 24, 1900. To the Editor:

Being called to a mission to Scandl-nacia I left my home in Burlington, Big Horn Co., Wyoming, the 6th day of September, 1898, and started, in company with three other Elders from the same place, to cover the distance o about 500 miles with teams. On the 12th I fell ill with typhoid fever, and for twelve days I was confined to a bed in the wagon, but on the 24th we ar-rived at Trenton, Cache Co., where I was cared for by Brother and Sister Lars Nelson. I was afterwards taken to the residence of Brother Andrew McComb McComb While ill I was often told that I could

not get well enough to start by the time set, but I had faith, and on the 15th of October I went to Logan, and 15th of October I went to Logan, and thence to Sait Lake City and was set apart on the 21st of October. On the 22nd I started, I arrived here in splendid condition. The Lord has now blessed me with friends, means and success. Since the day I left Sait Lake City my health has not failed me. I feel that the Lord makes no false promises through the mouths of His servants, for He promised me that I should He promised me that I should be an instrument in His hand in doing good, provided I were faithful to Him.

I have labored in five different branches, viz.: Boers, Stavanger, Hardanger, Bergen and Egersund, and in three of these I have had the pleasure of seeing several souls initiated into the fold of Christ. The latter branch was opened less than twenty-two months

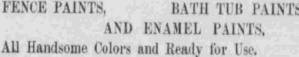
in this valler, but the few who are here are very rood to the Elders. We conduct services here quite reg-ular, and have very good meetings. On the 24th vit. Muide Worwood was baptized. There are a number in this part of the Lord's vineyard who are investigating the Gospel. Elders eperaged in explaining the order. meeting four paptienes here baptisms in the makin. In all fifteen baptisms in the Atua conference since last October. On Monday morning a native Priesthood meeting was held and all enjoyed a portion of the good spirit; at 10 octock a. m. an Elders' meeting was held, where we all received some good in-





That your surroundings have an immense influence on your life. If you have beautiful things around you, you will have beautiful thought. Maybe you can't alford to buy pictures of the Old Masters at Twenty Thousand Dollars Each, but you can alford to buy some pretty paints and beautify your home with them. We say you can alford it, because we are selling PAINTS so awfully cheap this week that they are within everybody's reach. We have

> BICYCLE PAINTS, FURNITURE PAINTS, DECORATING PAINTS. BATH TUB PAINTS,



CARRIAGE PAINTS,

BARN PAINTS,

HOUSE PAINTS.



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ng have had but very little need of a pilot to keep us in the main channel upon that occasion. I had always been curious to know what submarine navigation was like, and, sure enough, without the alightest effort whatever on my part. I had the privilege of ex-periencing the real thing. "There couldn't nobody tell me nothing" about what it is like now. I am perfectly sat-isfied. The ocean with all that is isfied. claimed and said of her on the surfaand with all her wonders and well fed fishes underneath, has lost her charms for me. To be domiciled in the highest peak of the highest mountain in the whole of the land of Zion, ten thou-sand feet above and ten thousand miles away from even the suggestion of a sea would be a gracious relief.

on that Subject.

the Work-The Labors of the Mis-

sionaries Bearing Fruit.

Seeing thave never done so, and

you would like to know, you ask, if by

a little extra effort, I could not find

sufficient time to tell you some of our

experiences and doings since leaving.

It is two years and ten months to-

day since we bid you goodbye at Lo-

gan, Aug. 13, 1897, and it was two years

and nine months on the 5th inst. since

we planted foot on Holland soil, I. e.,

they call it soll here, though I could not be easily convinced of the fact, but

on remembering it to be a peculiarity of the Dutch to express facts—in the construction of their language, though

on land. But to tell the truth, I would have been but little more surprised had our ever-restless, pitching vessel heaved to and anchored to some imag-

inary dock in the midst of the Atlantic ocean. It was terrible; the rain came

down in torrents, and I am sure if boats were so adjusted that they could

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turn over and sall upside down,

it be not with the object to deceive just the opposite from what we would do in English, I became more recon-clied to the idea that we were really

the following is an extract:

Zion. Very likely I can.

however, amidat considerable Finally, consternation, anxiety and an inward longing to know "where we were at," and what the concluding experiences of our voyage were going to be, we were much surprised as well as relieved at hearing some one, who, to our minds was either dreaming, or "Niet erg goed by zyn hoofd." cry Taking R-F-F-F-F-Ft-ter-F-F-F-faum! In the situation hastily we were, o course, very much inclined to questio the truthfulness of the report, inquiring from a blg heavy-set Dutch Englishman, who was just emerging from the lower regions, and whose face was as black, or blacker than the dun-geon he had been occupying, whether of hot it was true that passengers were supposed to embark, he growled out: "Yeas, and to gid de boat oud, en de vall op in aen purddy queek hurree," which we decided to do without further ceremony, land or no land

Having succeeded in fighting our way past a hungry, dry, (inwardly) pair of custom officers, who, by way, Very cumingly taxed us several guilders on goods that were entirely free of duty (the discov ery was made later, of course, but only after they, by way of "Boks Best," had swallowed the money) we gained the upper deck, and hurriedly glancing about in search of some familiar far we caught sight of Brother Frank Thatcher perched up under the massive eaves of a large government building near by, where he had sought to shield himself as best possible, from this veritable flood of tear drops issuing from a madly weeping and inconsolable sky.

With outstretched arms, all smiles and gladness, we sped away in each other's direction-you can, for all intents and purposes, imagine the re-mainder of this act, nor need you be in doubt as to whether or not it ended

Our much foy and happiness, however, did not seem to lend a quieting or comforting influence to those griefstricken eyes above; for as we great with ever increasing energy, screamed forth fits of tearful anguish, until feared some rent had taken place, and in the absence of some "dapper" little Dutch had to thrust his timely boyish finger in the rupture, all the dikes of heaven had broken through, and threatened the consummation of a cut-1898, 202, and in 1899, 278, making, as I stated before, a steady and healthy inastrophe the fatherland so providen tially escaped many, many years age The condition grew 'no better fast, and becoming thoroughly drenched, bestirred ourselves in securing convey ance to the tower for the hoat hand its passengers on the outer edge of th city. Near by stood one only call whose driver second to be wishing h had an ark instead of what they gen erally term here a "riding implement or "riding tool." He had evidently remained there realizing we would have to engage him, seeing we were the only living souls and he the only implement" man within any possibil right or hearing. Naturally, his price were in keeping with the situation but after cutting them (his prices) off at both ends and once in the middle, we hired him and rolled away to a hotel as centrally located as possible. It netted us very satisfactory returns; for our friends do not at all object to sharing these comforts and in doing so. was not long before we found one, and a good high one at that, where we ensored rooms on, I believe, the third elevator, determined to preserve ouring on, investigate themselves into the fold of the good Shepherd; while the Saints; judging from the way they selves from the deluge without, if not from fire within, though it would have been nothing if not amusing to think | throng together on the Sabbath day,

To the Editor:

June 21, 1900.

In the latter part of 1898 the above named presidency was released to return home, and Brothers Platte D. Lyman, one of your We held our conference May 19th and 20th, our first meeting being held Satold missionary acquaintances, James L. urday, the 19th, at 8 p. m. It was McMurrin, and Henry W. Naisbitt, succeeded to the position. They are presided over by Elder N. P. Nielsen. There were present thirteen Elders from men for whom we all have the highest respect and esteem, and there is no doubt but what they are the right ones on, most of the Saints of the Tron em branch, and a few strangers. We ed expected Jas. L. McMurrin of the propenn mission presidency, and Anin the right place. From the time of our arrival, in Sepfreas Peterson, president of the Scan-linavian mission; but on account of an tomber, 1897, up to the present, there has been an average force of from 33

prose, that they might the better be

when explaining the principles of the Gospel and testifying to their truthful-

ness; and the result, as you will notice,

proves quite substantially the efficacy of their doings.

ula; and each year as we become exertic and more able to intelligently

plain and faithfully defend that hich we know to be the truth, and

ch we know too, if obeyed, can, will, save and exalt, our numbers

In 1897, 123 haptisms were made, in

creased growth for each succeeding

ing year of the old century will yield us remains yet to be seen. Our alm, however, so far as our missionary work is concerned, will be to make it one

worthy of the occasion and peer to any

During the last two years we have

succeeded in getting nice new halls opened up for all our main branches (hroughout the mission i. e., for such

oranches at least, that were not al-endy provided. Most of our halls too,

have an organ, making the essentials

and enjayable meetings just that much more complete. The special efforts we

have put forth in this direction have

unconsciously yet, gradually become interested and start to probing, and be-

fore they realize themselves what's go-

of he predecessors.

year's operations. What this, the close

e to secure an unprejudiced hearing

accident to the steamer, they did not arrive until 8 a. m., Sunday morning. This, however, did not hinder us from having a very good meeting, wherein different Elders had an opportunity to testify of the goodness of God and of the condition of the nearly among whom to 35 missionaries, three of which num-ber, I am pleased to state, were ladles, laboring in the fleid; and as a whole, considering every thing, we feel that we have been abundantly blessed in all that we have undertaken to further the condition of the people among whom they had labored since last conference. work's establishment in this country. Of course, our Elders and sisters have Sunday morning we met in a hall that had been secured, in which to hold our consisted, all along, of a body of very carnest, energetic workers, who seemed other conference meetings. This hall be-longs to the labor union and is centrally located. Here we held three meetings, o be especially gifted as well as de-ermined to get at the hearts of the copie, being willing, at the same time, me at 10 a. m., one at 4 p. m., and one make any and every legitimate and cessary sacrifice to accomplish this at 8 p. m.

In the meeting at 10 a. m., Elders Z. W. Israelsen, C. C. Ronnow and J. M. Lauritzen spoke on the first principles of the Gospel, organization of the Church, and restoration of the Gospel after which Elder Peterson discoursed at some length, upon "The way to find the only true Gospel."

September 1st, '97 up to June In the afternoon meeting Elder Niel-sen spoke a short time, concerning our ist, 1909, constituting a period of two years and nine months, our membership numbers an increase of 599 baptized mission here on earth. Elder Jas. L. McMurrin, with Elder

Peterson as interpreter, occupied the re-maining portion of time. He gave a very comprehensive Gospel sermon and was listened to with marked attention. In the evening meeting Elders Mc-Murrin and Peterson spoke upon the restoration of Gospel in the latter days and "Salvation for the Dead." This was vastly multiply and our influence grows the best attended meeting of our entire

> Monday at 9:30 a. m. we met in Priest-Monday at 2:30 a. m. we met in Friest-hood meeting, where the Elders gave a verbal report of the labor performed. At 3 p. m. we again met in Priesthood meeting and after the opening exercises.

the sacrament was administered, after which many valuable instructions were given the Elders by Elders McMurrin and Peterson, and the Elders were assigned to their respective fields of labor. President Nielsen was released from

president Alegen was released from presiding over the conference and assigned to labor in the Copenhagen conference in Denmark, and C. C. Ron-now, who a short time before had left Denmark reliefs had left Denmark, willingly, because the govern-ment had compelled him to leave-was appointed in his stead. If any of the Saints who have rela-

tives in these parts would write the Elders laboring here, it might be the means of helping to spread the "Gospel

message." The headquarters of our conference is at Trondhjem, the third largest and one of the oldest cities in the kingdom. The "Newe," nixt after letters from The "Newe," nixt after letters from home, is the most welcome visitor the Elders have. Your brother in the cause of truth.

C. C. RONNOW.

LABORING IN MONTANA.

People the Elders Meet-Celebrating the National Holiday.

Courts, Gallatin Co., Mont. July 5, 1900. To the Editor:

I arrived in this conference from Butte on the 4th of last May, where labored about six months. This is a beautiful valley, exhibiting to a great extent the products of nature. There are a number of rivers wending their course through the valley, and also many small streams running into the rivers. These are lined with trees and are now clothed with beautiful foliage. Some of the cottonwoods are large enough for saw timber, and are used for the construction of bridges Wild fruit grows in great quantities both in the hills, and along the rivers and small streams. The system of ir-rigation is carried on quite extensively causing an abundance of grain to be produced. There are about fifty threshing machines in the valley, and

over 1,000 carloads of wheat are shipped out each year. Bozeman is the capital of this county, and contains about 4,000 inhabitants. There are not many Latter-day Saints

GLENDOWER-" I can call spirits from the vasty deep."

HOTSPUR-" Why, so can I, or so can any man.

"But will they ome when you do call for them?"-SHAKESPEARE.

How quickly Hotspur's wise and witty retort tears the tragic mantle in which Glendower stalks, and shows beneath the seer's robe, the motley of the mountebank. Most people would have taken the Welchman at his word, and called him seer, without noting the difference between to call and to command.

Certain points of comparison are suggested between Glendower's tragic claim and the comic claim made in some specious advertisements. "I am a woman. I know all about woman. I understand woman, and I can cure woman because I am a woman." The modern Mrs. Hotspur puts her finger right on the weak spot of that clamorous claim by saying Why if you can cure woman simply because you are a woman, then so can I and so can any woman." Which very plainly brings out the common sense fact that the cure of diseases does not depend upon being a man or being a noman but does depend upon being a trained and experienced physician. There is, as far as is known, no quali-

fied woman physician associated with any proprietary medicine firm. It is certain that there is no one, man or woman, who can shew an experience or record equal to that of Dr. R. V. Pierce; more than thirty years of treatment of women's diseases with ninety-eight per cent. cured out of more than half-a-million women treated. Sick women can con-suit Dr. Pierce by letter absolutely free of charge. Every letter is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential All answers are mailed securely sealed in perfectly plain envelopes. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescrip-

tion makes Weak Women Strong and Sick Women Well.

ago by Elder Emil Peterborg of Preston, Idaho, and Elder Arnt Johnsen, of Logan, Utah, There were no members here them. It now counts ten adult members. We also have several earnest investigators of the Gospel. But, of course, the old stories are afloat here as elsewhere about the supposed hor-rors of "Mormonism." We often meet the question: Why don't our friends write and tell us how they fare over there? We have never

heard from them since they went to Utah. And well they might ask such questions. I fully realize that through warm correspondence with friends and relatives in the old country, there ould be a great missionary work done and good, warm letters would, no doubt remove much prejudice which now exists.

Your brother in the Gospel J. CHRISTOPHERSON.

In the European Mission.

Arrivals.-Quite a group of Utahns arrived per the S. S. Campania on the 23 inst. The party consisted of Hon. David Eccles, ex-Mayor of Ogden, and one of that city's most energetic and prominent business men. Sister Eccles and their daughter Vida accompany him, their intention is to make a tour including a visit to the Paris Exposi-tion. They left for Glasgow to visit their son David, who is in that confer-ence as a missionary,

Elder Adam Patterson, of Riverdais, wife and daughter Maud, relatives of the well remembered Bishop Sharp, will yisit Clackmannan and other places known and sacred through their pro-

Sister Smith from North Ogden was of the same party; she came to visit friends in England and for other pur-poses. We hope they wil' all enjoy hemselves and return in peace and safety.

The address of the Manchester conference house is now 75, Merehall street, Bolton, Lancashire.

The general conference of the Atua The general conference of the Atua district convened at this village Satur-dar, May 26th, with the following El-ders present: Wm. G. Sears, G. C. Spillsbury, Jos. R. Witbeck and wife. (Levern), John T. Roberts, Ray Ste-wart, H. N. Fish, Warren Longhurst, M. V. Muir and the presiding Elder of Savali, C. L. Warnick. The five branches of the district were well rep-resented, and meetings commenced with an attendance of 300, in the new meeting house recently finished. Two beering house recently misned. Two general meetings were held on that day. During the time between the morning and afternoon meetings, the neighbor-ing villages made a food effering in honor of the dedication of the new meeting house. There were presented forty hogs (cooked), 306 fish, 600 tails, headee various other actions of the

forty nogs (cooked), 300 fish, 600 falls, besides various other articles of food. A special feature of the conference was the Savaij school, which is mak-ing a tour of the Island, and giving concerts in all the large villages. They gave a concert on Friday night, which was well attended. The leading fea-ture of the entertainment was the fife and drum band, conducted by Broth-er Warren Longhurst. er Warren Longhurst. Saturday night the schools of Atua

Saturday hight the schools of Atua gave a concert to a crowded house of Saints and strangers. Owing to the scattered condition of the Saints, meet-ings were held Sunday morning in both

the Aniani and Malaela meeting houses, with large attendance at both places. Sunday school exercises com-menced at 11:30 a. m. consisting of songs, recitations and class exercises on the life of Christ. After a well attended meeting in the afternoon, con-ference exercises were brought to a close, with a meeting in the evening, at which Elder Sears made the closing re-

There were six general meetings held, and remarks were made by thirteen Elders and natives holding the Priest-hood. The authorities of the Church were presented and sustained by the At the close of the Sunday afternoon



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