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GENERAL CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Oct. 6th.

The choir sang—
The time is short, that happy time,
That rest and peace, that joy and love,
Prayer by President A. O. Hoot.
The choir sang—
Sweet is the peace the Gospel brings
To seeking minds and true.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON

Stated that at the general assembly of Quorums at Kirtland, the manner of voting the affirmative vote was by rising on their feet, and the negative vote by keeping their seats. It was now expected that the Quorums, when they arose on their feet, would also raise their right hands, and the negative vote cast would be by retaining their seats and keeping down their hands. Then the affirmative vote was cast, then if there were negatives they would have the privilege of rising to their feet.

The General Authorities of the Church were voted for by each Quorum of the Priesthood, rising on their feet and raising their right hands in the following order: First—The Twelve Apostles. Second—The Patriarchs, Presidents of Stakes and their Counselors, and the High Council. Third—High Priests. Fourth—Seventies. Fifth—Elders in Charge of Meetings. Sixth—Bishops and Counselors. Seventh—Priests, Teachers, and Deacons. Eighth—Presidency of all the Quorums. Ninth—The entire congregation.

Elder Cannon presented the authorities of the Church as follows:

John Taylor as President of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, as one of the Twelve Apostles, and of the Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. As members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles—Willard Woodruff, Orson Hyde, Orson Pratt, Charles C. Rich, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Joseph F. Smith and Albert Carrington.

Counselors to the Twelve Apostles—John W. Young, D.H. Wells. The Twelve Apostles as the presiding quorum and authority of the Church, and as Prophets, Seers and Revelators.

President John Taylor made a motion that John W. Young and Daniel H. Wells be sustained as Prophets, Seers and Revelators, to act with the Twelve as their Counselors, in that capacity. The whole congregation sustained the motion. Patriarch of the Church: John Smith.

At the first seven Presidents of Seventies: Joseph Young, Levi W. Hancock, Henry Herriman, Albert P. Rockwood, Horace S. Eldredge, Jacob Gates and John Van Cott.

The Presiding Bishop of the Church—Edward Hunter, with Leonard W. Hardy and Robert T. Burton as his Counselors.

John Taylor, Trustee-in-Trust of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with the Twelve Apostles, their two Counselors and Edward Hunter as his Counselors.

Albert Carrington as President of the Perpetual Emigrating Fund for the gathering the poor.

Orson Pratt as Historian and general Church Recorder, and Willard Woodruff his assistant. This motion was put to the congregation merely, and was unanimous.

The local authorities of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion were then presented in the following order—Angus M. Cannon, President of the Stake, with David O. Calder and Joseph E. Taylor as his Counselors. High Council Wm. Edgington, Thomas E. Jeremy, John H. Russell, Miner G. Atwood, Dimick R. Huntington, Theo. McKean, Horace Stone, Milando Pratt, J. R. Winder, Geo. J. Taylor, Henry Dinwoodey, Millan Atwood, Joseph Horne, Andrew W. Winberg and George Nebeker.

Elias Smith, President of the High Priests' Quorum, and Edward Snellgrove and Elias Morris his Counselors.

Edward Davis, President of the Elders Quorum, and W. W. Taylor and Junius F. Wells his Counselors.

The Quorums of the Lesser Priesthood not being fully organized, their presentation to the Conference was deferred.

Truman O. Angel was sustained as General Architect of the Church, and T. O. Angel, Jun., his assistant.

George Goddard as Clerk of the General Conference.

George F. Gibbs as Clerk and Recorder of this Stake of Zion.

During the whole of the presentation of the authorities before a congregation of about 15,000, excellent order prevailed, and to witness the unanimity and reflective silence during the entire proceedings, prompted by the Spirit of God, was grand and impressive beyond the power of words to describe. The language depicted on every countenance, as the only expression of their inmost soul, seemed to say, "It was indeed a feast to be here." It was indeed a feast to all the Saints, and a beautiful foretaste of what there is in the future.

PRESIDENT JOHN TAYLOR

felt happy to witness the union and good feeling manifested by the Saints in their voting. There was a saying in the world, vox populi vox Dei. But there was a custom in ancient times for the Lord to first make known his will to the people, and present it to the people, when it was first the voice of God, then the voice of the people. He spoke of the increased responsibilities that now rested upon the Apostles, and asked them to be true to the task. When men were under the guidance of the Almighty it was a high honor to hold office, and as such they desired to appreciate it. They felt that they were in confidence and faith made manifest this day. He had said but little since the death of our late President, who had stood prominently before the Church for the last thirty-three years. For this he had varied reasons. One reason was, he felt in his heart, in connection with the community, at the loss of our dear and venerable President. Another was that a multiplicity of business came had devolved upon the Twelve, and many questions had to be answered and disposed of in a variety of subjects. A further reason was that he did not wish to say anything which would influence the Twelve or others, so far as his position was concerned, but desired to leave them perfectly unbiased in their minds. He felt thankful to have Elder Orson Pratt and Joseph F. Smith, who had arrived from England only a few days ago, present at the conference. The Priesthood of the Son of God was not given for personal aggrandizement but for the building up of the kingdom of God, and if we could carry out in our lives

what we had made manifest this day by our votes, the kingdom of God would roll forth, and the favor and blessing of God would rest upon us.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON read an extract from pages 386 and 387 of the Book of Mormon.

President John Taylor said the words just read were true when they were written, and they were true to-day. No man need think this work would stop. It would go on and increase until the purposes of Jehovah were accomplished, and no power in hell or in hell could stop its progress.

Conference was adjourned until 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

The choir sang the anthem:

Awake, put on thy strength O Zion.

Benediction by ELDER ORSON HYDE.

SECOND DAY.

SUNDAY MORNING, Oct. 7.

Conference was called to order by President JOHN TAYLOR.

The choir sang:

Come, all ye Saints who dwell on earth,
Your cheerful voices raise.

Prayer by Elder Joseph F. Smith.

The choir sang:

Glorious things of thee are spoken
Zion city of our God.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON

spoke upon the necessity of the President of the Emigrating Fund having some additional aid. The Twelve had concluded to present the following names as his assistants, who were also sustained by the General Conference: Franklin D. Richards, F. M. Lyman, Horace S. Eldredge, Joseph F. Smith, John W. Young, Angus M. Cannon, Moses Thatcher, Wm. Jennings, John R. Winder, Henry Dinwoodey, Robert T. Burton, Abraham O. Snoot and H. H. Edwards. The Presidents of stakes were also requested to act as agents for the P. E. Fund.

Elder Cannon said it was not often we are called upon to mourn the loss of those who held the keys of the holy priesthood upon the earth. The experience of the Prophet Joseph was of that character, that led the people to almost think he was invulnerable to the shafts of death that had been so frequently hurled at him; hence when his demise did occur, it felt with such a shock and so unexpectedly upon the Saints that they were not prepared for the results growing out of such a contingency. The minds of many were much exercised and many speculations were indulged in, as to who would occupy the position made vacant by the death of Joseph the Prophet. Some had fixed their minds upon one and some on another until the time had arrived when the Twelve had all returned home from their various fields of labor. It then soon became apparent where the authority legitimately belonged—in the Twelve and the Twelve alone.

At a large public meeting God made it manifest to all the Saints then present that He had placed the mantle of Joseph upon his servant Brigham.

Some months before the decease of President Joseph, he seemed to be anxious and restless until he had thoroughly organized the Church, and the speaker was satisfied that the remarkable work he had accomplished in that direction added greatly to the satisfaction that he, President Young, now felt.

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The speaker said he had listened with much pleasure to the discourse of Elder Orson Pratt, upon the priesthood. Every man who was ordained to the Apostleship had the power and authority to guide, counsel and direct the people of God, but the right to receive revelations, to govern the whole church was confined to the one who holds the keys as the head. The rest of the Apostles must sustain and uphold that man. There never was but one man at any one time that held that position, and he who was sustained yesterday by unanimous vote, John Taylor by name, was that man, he being now the leading Apostle. He must be looked to by the entire people for the word of the Lord. If every Apostle was slain but one, that one had the right and authority to organize the church, and ordain other apostles and a First Presidency to build up the kingdom of God.

It was good for the Latter-day Saints to be well instructed in the order and nature of the priesthood, that they might know and understand where the authority rested.

Some had been much exercised about a First Presidency being organized, and they had been looking distinctly to understand that whenever God commanded a First Presidency to be appointed, it would not be revealed through any one but his servant who was new God's mouthpiece.

ELDER FRANKLIN D. RICHARDS

Endorsed the views expressed by Elder George Q. Cannon, and was thankful to have so important and interesting a subject as that of the priesthood made so plain and easy to our understanding. Yesterday, the unanimity in voting for the various authorities of the Church, by the assembled thousands, who had come from all parts of the earth, was a sign of union that could not be presented by any other people in any part of the world, and ought surely to convince the unbeliever that God was in this work.

What had been done during the last forty years was a mighty work, and it was a testimony to our exertions in every branch of labor. The sisters could also do much to forward the great work, and indeed they had accomplished a great deal, and no doubt would continue to do what they could.

He exhorted the brethren to go forth with renewed energy to establish Zion. He referred them to the scriptures and the chapters of Doctrine and Covenants, and to notice the great blessings that God promised the children of Israel through the observance of his law, and the calamities that would befall them if they disobeyed. And it was now a portion of the labor of the Elders of Israel to gather up the scattered tribes who had been driven amongst all the nations of the world. Although much had been done in preaching the gospel, thus far, a very small moiety of the inhabitants of the earth had heard the word of God, and the Lord; therefore, many remained to be done.

It was the intention of the Twelve to call to their aid and assistance in collecting the indebtedness due the P. E. Fund, the Presidents of Stakes and Bishops of the various wards.

He felt particularly anxious on this subject for he knew there were thousands of poor and anxious hearts in every community, whose prayers and expectations were constantly kept up for their relief from Babylon and poverty.

He urged the necessity of being wholehearted, not only in paying tithing, but donations to build the Temple, and emigrating the poor. The following names of missions

were presented by Elder Geo. Q. Cannon, the vote to sustain them being unanimous.

Anton Anderson, of Santaquin, to Minnesota.

Nils R. Lindall, of Union Fort, to Minnesota.

Joel S. Jones, Payson.

Norman S. Jones, Payson.

Francis M. Elder, Payson.

James W. Crosby, of St. George, Lower California.

David Cameron of Pangwitch, Lower California.

Lewis Booth of Honeyville, Southern Utah.

Russell Rogers of Fillmore, Southern Utah.

Joseph Frieze, Richfield, to Arizona.

Henson Walker, jun., Pleasant Grove, to Arizona.

Ephraim Hanks, Midway, to Arizona.

Ex-Bishop Farnsworth, Joseph City, to Arizona.

Thomas R. Jones, Lehi, to the Welsh in Pennsylvania.

David Bowen, Spanish Fork, to the Welsh in Pennsylvania.

John McNeils, jun. and family, Bountiful, to Arizona.

Andrew Watson, of Provo, to Scotland.

George Meldrum, of Provo, to Scotland.

Joel H. Dean and wife, of Salt Lake City, to Sandwich Islands.

James Solomon and wife, of Salt Lake City, to Sandwich Islands.

W. D. Karchner, of Pangwitch, to Arizona.

Book Karchner, of Pangwitch, to Arizona.

D. Clayton, of Pangwitch, to Arizona.

Alma Palmer, of Pangwitch, to Arizona.

N. Miller, of Pangwitch, to Arizona.

Peter Nielsen, of Morgan County, to Arizona.

Peterson Sessions, of Bountiful, to Maine.

Jonathan Tolman, of Bountiful, to Maine.

Artemus Putnam, of Woodruff, to Maine.

William Atkinson, of Bountiful, to Maine.

William Peterson, of Salt Lake City, to Denmark.

William Christensen, of Fairview, to Denmark.

James Christensen, of Spring City, to Denmark.

Rasmus Nielsen, of Logan, to Denmark.

P. C. Christensen, of Salt Lake City, to Denmark.

John Christensen, of Cottonwood, to Sweden.

A. O. F. Forsell, of Salt Lake City, to Sweden.

John F. Olsen, Salt Lake City, to Sweden.

John Eckman, of Salt Lake City, to Sweden.

Joseph Bull, of Salt Lake City, to Great Britain.

James Larson, of Gunnison, to Sweden.

Jonas Linberg, of Tooele, to Sweden.

Andrew Hendrickson, of Levan, has the permission of this conference to go to Scandinavia, preach the gospel to his friends and to settle up his business in that country.

Adjourned till 2 p.m.

The choir sang the anthem:

How beautiful upon the mountains
Benediction by Elder Charles C. Rich.

AFTERNOON. 2 p.m.

The choir sang:

Rejoice the valley will rend in twain,
The King descend with all his train.

Prayer by Elder Albert Carrington.

The choir sang:

Prayer in the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON presented the following names of the season's laborers who were sustained by unanimous vote of the assembly:

Christopher Merkle, of Salt Lake City, to Canada.

John H. Freeman, of Salt Lake City, to Wisconsin.

Robert Ellwood, of West Jordan, to Wisconsin.

Jas. E. Mallin, of Salt Lake City, to Wisconsin.

Luther M. Palmer, of Chicken Creek, to Michigan.

Joseph Wall, of Glenwood, to Michigan.

Imas Lowry, of Spanish Fork, to Michigan.

Samuel W. Tenney, of Kanab, to Michigan.

Llewellyn Harris, of Pangwitch, and A. W. Ivins, of St. George, to preach in New Mexico.

James Christensen, of Spring City, to Denmark.

Home Missionaries for the Salt Lake Stake of Zion:

George Reynolds, A. H. Raleigh, William A. McMaster, George G. Bywater, Junius F. Wells, Joseph Horne, Milando Pratt, Edward Schoenfeld, Richard W. Young, John R. Winder, Sen. A. W. Winder, Thomas E. Taylor, James P. Freese, Charles H. Wilkeken, Milando Pratt, Hamilton G. Park, John T. Calne, Septimus W. Miner, G. Atwood, Robert Patrick, Thos. E. Jeremy, John H. Russell, James W. Cummings, Elias Morris, John Clark, John G. Midgley, Benjamin P. Cummings, Jr., William J. Smith, Edward H. Hubam, Wm. Edgington, William C. Staines, William W. Taylor, Samuel H. B. Smith, Amos M. Maser, Brigham S. Young, I. M. Mortensen.

ELDER JOHN TAYLOR

presented the names of the following brethren he had selected to audit the accounts of the Trustees in Trust, they being sustained by unanimous vote: Willard Woodruff, Erastus Snow and Joseph F. Smith.

He remarked that the Twelve Apostles had served this people for forty to fifty years without any compensation. And while others were making means in various capacities, the Twelve had traveled and labored without purse and scrip. Their duties were now increasing, and they were required to give their whole time in the service of the Church, and were consequently unable to attend to their own private business. He desired the Conference to authorize him, as Trustee in Trust, to give them a reasonable amount for their support. The vote on this proposition was unanimous.

He spoke of the late President Brigham Young, who had been in the church almost from its commencement, and held the presidency of it for 33 years, and his departure had cast a gloom over the whole church. His opposition to vice and his efforts to sustain virtue and every good principle were known throughout the world. He had gone and, while it could be said here, a President was dead, in the eternal worlds it was hailed as a "President born." Unless the guiding hand of the Almighty should be with us, the future of the church in the future would be a blank. He should want to have nothing to do with the work, but God would be with us. The Gospel contemplated the entire union of the Saints, both in temporal and spiritual matters. He was of the union that was exhibited yesterday in the voting. One matter voted upon was that the Twelve be sustained as Prophets, Seers and Revelators. The same thing was introduced by Joseph Smith in the Temple at Kirtland. It was also the duty of the High Priests and Elders of Israel to seek after and

obtain a knowledge of God, whom to know was life everlasting.

Every man who held the priesthood of the Son of God should endeavor to magnify his high and holy calling. There were in this Territory twenty different stakes, each with its own President and Counselors, Bishops and Councilors, and lesser priesthood and High Councils. All this had been done to correspond with the order that existed in the heavens, that the ordinances of the gospel might be administered to so as to bring down the blessings that God had provided for those who attended to the things of the Lord. The Stakes should be men full of the Holy Ghost, and so should all those who were called to labor in connection with them. Had it not been for the loss of the Temple at Kirtland and delivered to him the keys of the gathering, the audience now before him would not be there to-day. So with baptism for the dead and other ordinances, Messengers had come and delivered the keys of authority and instruction to Joseph Smith.

The prophet Elijah had visited Joseph and the hearts of the children were turned to their fathers, and the hearts of the fathers to the children. Already there had been mourning for the dead, for the one administered for the dead that they might be saved.

Why was it that the Saints were so anxious for the Temple? It was because the Spirit of the Lord prompted them. The Lord was our law giver; the Lord was our friend and he would aid us in all our trials. The Temple should come up on Mount Zion. What was a Savior? It was one who had learned how to administer salvation, and was willing to make any sacrifice necessary to accomplish it. Thousands of our Elders had traveled tens of thousands of miles, without purse or scrip. No other people had done what the Latter-day Saints had done to benefit and bless the world.

There were over 500 men at work in building toward the three temples that were now being erected. It was not the intention to crowd or oppress any one in these labors. Everything should be done on a free principle. The poor should be fed, and if any were naked they should be clothed. We should never permit any oppression to be exercised, but should be charitable and kind, that God might smile upon us.

He much regretted that there should be any p. m. in the Territory unwilling to pay back the money that had been paid out of the P. E. Fund for their benefit. He spoke of the New Tabernacle in course of erection on the Temple block in this city, and trusted there would be a liberal response to the calls for means to carry on the work.

He commended the sisters for the aid their labors had rendered the Bishops in benefitting and blessing the poor and encouraging home industries.

He alluded encouragingly also to the several Mutual Improvement Societies.

ELDER WILFORD WOODRUFF addressed the Conference: Every member of the Church should be full of revelation for the guidance of his own life, and every Elder in Israel who presided in any public position, should have revelation so that all his acts might be in accordance with the mind and will of God. God would fit and qualify any man who would be faithful in his holding the priesthood to receive a particular calling, if he lived as he should. We should build these Temples, for there were thousands behind us waiting to be delivered from their prison houses, and the Latter-day Saints were the only people that could aid them. He called upon the Presidents of Stakes and Bishops to look well after the labors of the sisters, for they had done a good work, and needed encouragement. He wished the authorities to urge on all the sisters to unite together in these Relief Societies. Those who contemplated going to St. George for their blessings in the Temple should not forget to take with them their offerings, for there were many engaged in that Temple day by day without any remuneration whatever. He urged the planting out of mulberry trees the fostering of Young Men's Mutual Improvement Societies and the sustaining of home publications.

PRESIDENT JOHN TAYLOR

Adjourned the Conference until the 6th of April, 1878, the place to be designated hereafter.

The Choir sang—
Mozart's Gloria.

Closing benediction by Elder Orson Pratt.

Thus ended one of the most interesting and encouraging conferences of our people. The attendance was unusually large, and there was a unanimity of sentiment from all parts of the Territory.

The singing of the admirably trained choir, the leadership of Professor George Carleton, and the excellent performance on the organ, by Brother J. J. Daynes, added much to the interest and pleasure of the occasion.

General CONFERRANCE.

Clerk of General Conference.

The foregoing is only a brief synopsis of the proceedings. Further particulars will be given and the discourses published in full.

DIED.

In this city Saturday, Oct. 6, FANNY M., daughter of John G. FANNY M. Young, aged 11 months and 10 days.

TEMPLE.

STEEL PLATE ENGRAVINGS

OF THE TEMPLE, \$2.50, can be had from C. J. THOMAS, Temple Block.

SEYMOUR B. YOUNG,

Physician and Surgeon.

Office: Half a Block South of Temple in front of Reformation Hall.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I have in my possession the following described property: One light speckled three year old STEER, branded E on right shoulder, crop and underbelly left ear upper lip right eye.

One branded same year old STEER, branded on right hip, E on left hip, branded on left side, upper lip right eye, branded on left side, upper lip right eye.

One red and white speckled and branded six or seven year old OX, no brands visible, crop and underbelly left ear upper lip right eye.

One light brown five or six year old STEER, branded on right shoulder, crop and underbelly left ear upper lip right eye, branded on left side, upper lip right eye, branded on left side, upper lip right eye.

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