FROM ELDER CHRISTENSEN.

Visiting in Salt Lake Stake—Tribute to the Memory of Elder Joseph Christensen.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 12, 1893.

EDITOR DESERET NEWS:

My last report, December 12, 1892, included my labors as a home missionary in the States of Zion immediately south of the Salt Lake Stake. I am now visiting the wards in the Salt Lake Stake of Zion and enjoy my labors greatly. I find a good spirit among the Saints. Every kindness is shown me by our people. Generally speaking the meetings are largely attended. In wards where there are considerable numbers of Scandinavian people, I meet with them, by permission of their Bishops, and address them in their own language, after urging them to be true and faithful to the Lord and His covenant people of every nation.

In a recent issue of your very valuable paper, I was very much shocked and grieved on reading the announcement of the death of my highly esteemed friend and brother, Elder Joseph Christensen, of Mapleton, Sanpete county, Utah. Language fails me to express the sorrow I felt and still feel over this good man's death, not for his sake, but for the sake of his bereaved family, associates and friends. He was a noble father and an honest man; was full of humanity and kindness. He was through life ever ready to do all the good possible, and among those who will greatly miss his other Christmas.

He knew nothing but the Gospel. This was to him valuable and dearer of everything on the earth. He was true to the Church, his birthpeople being the Second ward, this city. Born of goodly parents, he was reared in the fear of the Lord. The seed of the Gospel planted in him in his early childhood grew and increased as he grew. He was only 11 years old when he died, but short as his life was he performed a good work. He was a very active man in ecclesiastical and temporal matters.

In 1861, April 11, he was called to assist in some Gentiles into Salt Lake City on a mission to Scandinavia. I was one of the company. We arrived at Copenhagen May 16 of that year, Brother Christensen performed a good mission. Being the latter suffering in the poorer classes of people in Denmark, he was filled with compassion for them and he administered to many of them in a natural manner, in addition to proclaiming the glorious tidings of the Gospel revealed now in this age.

May our Heavenly Father comfort the hearts of the bereaved and sorrowing family of Brother Christensen, and may they so live as to enjoy his society again with all the redeemed of the Lord, is the prayer of their brother and friend,

PETER C. CHRISTENSEN.

Kanab Stake Conference.

The Kanab Stake quarterly conference was held in Kanab March 11th and 3rd, 1893. There were present on the occasion the Kanab Stake presidency, the majority of the High Councilors and Bishops, also a very good attendance of the people. The remarks of the brethren during conference were edifying and instructive to the Saints; I suppose treatise upon principally were: history of the children of Israel, redemption of the Gospel, speaking of the primitive Church, the first principles of the Gospel, salvation for the dead, tithing, etc.

There is a falling off in the value of the tithing paid, which is mainly attributed to the desire to drive to the various kinds of animals.

The general authorities of the Church and Stake were unanimously sustained by the Saints assembled.

The Sabbath school held a review Sunday evening, and the various statistics and announcements had their conference usual.

We have had a considerable downfall of snow and rain this winter. Notwithstanding many cattle have perished, the stockmen and farmers feel to rejoice that the earth is once more prepared to bring forth vegetation.

F. L. PARKER, Stake Clerk.

THE PASTURE GRASSES.

A Matter of Several Varieties Grown Over Second—Another Grass Grass.

Where one grass succeeds another will not, and it is essential that we should have a good variety on hand. Our land is now quite exhausted, and if a farmer has a piece of land that will not produce some of these varieties it cannot be pretty poor land indeed. One of the greatest improvements needed in this country is a proper study of grass culture. Great seeds of several varieties properly mixed for each climate and soil give better results than if only one variety be sown.

Grasses that form the best pastures so far in this country are such as the meadow fescue, tall oat grass, meadow fescue, tall fescue. All of these are introduced grasses, and have become perfectly at home and permanently adapted to this country. Added to these are the native American and Canadian grasses—Kentucky blue, Canadian blue, red top, orchard grass and timothy. Add to the Italian and perennial rye grasses have been used largely in sections in this country, giving great results in most instances. As the perennial will live through a mild winter and the Italian through a hard one, the mixture of the two seems to be the best. The Italian grass has proved a valuable acquisition.

Red clover should also enter largely into composition of nearly all meadow mixtures, and we have seen a field of this clover sufficiently thick to cut every year in the country. This need cannot be in the air. Alsike, white or Dutch, Italian, lucern, alfalfa and red clover. Many of these clovers are invaluable as pasture beds, and seem to have established to feel at the common clover when not mixed with it in sections to try any home. Some of the varieties are all in one to take hold and yield a fine crop, requiring the new clover for the other varieties. It is not wise to depend upon any specific formula for mixed grass seed, but it is very evident that our pastures could be greatly improved if a more thorough study were made of the art of mixing. We must study the nature of the different grasses and their adaptability to the climate. We must remember that plants which a farmer should depend upon, one or two varieties of grasses for his pasture. That is just the way he can not do good permanently.

—Farmer.

LITERARY NOTE.

Some "Mother-Evening Hours for Reposing" are given by Arthur Fuller in the March number of The Writer (Boston), and there is also an article of "Advice to Young Beginners" contributed by the editor of the magazine. The other signed articles discuss the usefulness of the local paper to young writers and the subject of payment in advance or on publication.

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