

ping place on East Temple. Outside help quickly came and carried the lady into the office of the Mt. Nebo Irrigating Co.

Dr. Witcher, as it happened, was near by, and he had his mother removed to the Wasatch drug store, across the street. It was found on examination that Mrs. Witcher was bruised to some extent and that she had received a severe nervous shock. There were no bones broken or internal injuries received.

Conductor John Lambourne was in charge of the car on which the lady was riding. He does not deny having seen her on the ground, but says that she was sitting up instead of lying prostrate. Dr. Witcher called on the street car company and demanded that the conductor and motorman be discharged. He was very indignant and said that though he did not wish to sue the road he wanted to insure safety in the future from accidents which he considered due to sheer carelessness.

### SEPTEMBER WEATHER FORECAST.

The following data, covering a period of 23 years, have been compiled from the weather bureau records at Salt Lake City, Utah. Month, September, for 23 years.

Temperature—Mean or normal temperature, 64 degrees. The warmest month was that of 1888, with an average of 70 degrees. The coldest month was that of 1889, with an average of 59 degrees. The highest temperature was 93 degrees on Sept. 6, 1875. The lowest temperature was 29 degrees on Sept. 22, 1895. Average date on which first "killing" frost occurred in autumn Oct. 12. Average date on which last "killing" frost occurred in spring, April 6th.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow)—Average for the month, 0.83 inches. Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 4. The greatest monthly precipitation was 3.15 inches in 1873. The least monthly precipitation was trace in 1890. The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 1.84 inches on September 1 and 2, 1886. The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours (record extending to winter of 1884-5 only) was 6 inches on Sept. 20 and 21, 1895.

Clouds and Weather—Average number of clear days, 19; partly cloudy days, 8; cloudy days, 3.

Wind—The prevailing winds have been from the southeast. The highest velocity of the wind was 44 miles from the east on Sept. 19, 1896.

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Weather Bureau.

### MORGAN STAKE CONFERENCE.

Morgan, Utah, Aug. 23, 1897.

The Morgan Stake quarterly conference was held August 15 and 16. The visiting brethren were Elders George Teasdale and Seymour B. Young. President Fry and counselors presided.

The above mentioned brethren spoke during the conference, also Elder Ezra T. Clark and Elder Hess, son of John W. Hess, president of Davis Stake. Meetings were well attended and no particular changes made.

A week later, however, Elder Teasdale visited East and West Porterville wards and, agreeable to the Saints there and the respective Bishops, the two wards were amalgamated into Porterville ward with Joseph Durrant as Bishop. Elders C. W. Penrose and George Teasdale addressed the Saints last evening in the Morgan Stake house. C. R. CLARK, Clerk.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

### THE CHICAGO MISSION.

It is now fourteen months since I came to this city as a missionary in company with President C. D. Fjeldsted C. L. Monch and H. M. Pearson. There were then a few scattered members of the Church, who had been found by Elder Andreas A. Dahle of Spanish Fork. He had been laboring for some time and been successful in gathering such as had been members of the Church in Scandinavia especially, and added a few others by baptism. There was no branch organization but meetings were held regularly on Sundays.

On the 4th June, 1896, a branch organization of thirty members was effected, the following Elders from Utah being present: President C. D. Fjeldsted, Joshua Clark, president of Northern States mission, Samuel G. Spencer, president of North Illinois conference, J. F. F. Dorius, H. M. Pearson and Christian L. Monch, the last three named, with C. D. Fjeldsted, being sent to labor among the Scandinavian people.

Shortly after this, Elder Joshua Clark returned to Utah, by reason of sickness in his family. He left the mission with the blessings of the Lord and the kind feelings of the Saints. Elder Samuel G. Spencer was appointed to take his place, and Elder John N. Davis from Vernal, Utah, was appointed president of North Illinois conference.

Later in the summer several Elders were sent to this mission and among them was Lewis A. Kelch, now president of the Northern States mission, with headquarters in Chicago, and others, the purpose being to open up a mission among the German people.

At first, meetings were held more or less in private houses, until the 1st of October, 1896, when a very commodious hall was obtained in Alleker Park hall, 501 North ave., and since then meetings have been held regularly every Sunday, Sabbath school at 10 a.m., Sacramental service at 11:30 a.m. and general preaching at 7 p.m.

These meetings have been very fairly attended by the Saints and strangers and we have met with no undue disturbance.

Last fall our October conference was held there, and as we were favored with the presence of Elder B. H. Roberts we had a time of great rejoicing.

I must go back a little and state that President C. D. Fjeldsted was with us through the summer and was ever awake to the promulgation of the work and gave the Elders and Saints such counsel and advice as is characteristic of the man, in his humble and fatherly way; but through telegram from President Wilford Woodruff he was called home to be present at the October conference, Salt Lake City, and consequently left us, accompanied with the best wishes for his future welfare.

Elder H. M. Pearsen left Chicago for his mission to Sweden in the month of December, and I learn through letters that he is doing a good work in his native land. Last summer we held several meetings in the street near Humboldt Park, which were well attended. We have kept them up this summer every Sunday, also evenings during the week and it seems as if the Elders have a holy boldness to stand before a moving public and preach the Gospel.

Last fall a change was effected, when Elder Samuel Spencer was honorably released from his mission, and

Elder Lewis A. Kelch was appointed in his place as president of the Northern States mission. The mission office had before been in Kansas City, Mo., but in February of this year, it was moved to Chicago, 143 Le Moine St., where it now is; a very commodious place and in a very respectable locality. Elder Kelch and our efficient clerk, Elder Christopher Burton, are always there to meet the Elders and Saints who have business with the office, with smiles and welcome. Our beloved brother, John N. Davis, who, as before stated, has acted as president of the Northern Illinois conference, left us the 30th of June last, after a two years' mission, whereof the one year was spent more or less in Chicago. Brother Davis was a fearless, and yet a humble young man, full of zeal and integrity and had the unbounded good will and confidence of all his brethren and the Saints.

Elder Ernest M. Boyer of Springville was appointed the successor of Elder Davis. Elder W. J. Harrison of Richmond was made president of the Minnesota conference, with headquarters at Winona.

I have labored in the missionary field many years and in other countries, but I have never been together with a better set of young Elders than those I have met in this mission. It is a pleasure to be associated with men who in their lives practice what they preach. Many of them are young men who have been students of various institutions of learning.

Doctor Emil B. Tsgreen, who was studying medicine in the Chicago university, was ever so willing to serve his friends and help them in times of sickness, whereby he won the good feelings of all, and it is to be hoped he will have the success at home to which four years of hard work entitles him. I must also give honorable mention to E. Young, D. C. Budge, George Thatcher, and others, who were taking courses in dentistry, not forgetting our genial friends, S. Russell and Mr. Sears. All these young men deserve credit for their gentlemanly course and the interested they manifested in the mission.

As before stated, some of us were especially sent to labor among the Scandinavian people. While we have not an exclusive mission to that class, one that can speak the Scandinavian language has ample chance to use it every day. But it did not seem as though we could succeed in holding many meetings entirely in that language. Danish and Norwegian are the same, while the Swedish is a little different, but all these people can well understand each other. We have therefore met conjointly with the English speaking people, and no one is forgotten when it is necessary to impart information.

One branch numbers about 100, more or less, and our prospects are very encouraging. Last winter we organized a female Relief Society, and Sister Smith from Nephi, Utah, is president of the same. Though everything is new and more or less unsettled, we think our sisters are doing well. Last winter they did a good work in helping the poor and destitute.

Perhaps my epistle is already too lengthy, but as I don't write very often to the News, although perhaps I ought to, being the clerk of the conference, I hope you will bear with me, and give my scribbling as much consideration as you can. I sometimes send a few lines to the Bikuben (Danish paper), but you know