

vinced, the following verses were written by Brother Brown:

We have found what long we have sought for,  
The only and true Gospel plan;  
Revealed long ago by the Savior,  
Who suffered such tortures for man.

We believe that Jehovah still liveth,  
Still pleadeth with man, as of old;  
Revealed to this generation  
His precepts, in visions, as told.

We believe Joseph Smith was a Prophet,  
And taught as revealed from above;  
Receiving, himself from Jehovah,  
A share of His Spirit and love.

We are ready in faith to go forward,  
Be baptized as ordained from above;  
That our sins be remitted forever;  
As proclaimed in that Gospel of love.  
Then we hope for the same Holy Spirit,  
To guide, and remind us each day,  
Till in truth we are sheltered with Jesus;  
Who said I'm the light and the way.

At our Fast meeting on Sunday, March 7th, many of the Saints and new members bore a faithful testimony to the truth of the Gospel. Our street meetings, as well as those at the hall, are well attended, and we rejoice in the work in which we are engaged as servants of our Father, in proclaiming the Gospel. Instructions from our president to travel with neither purse nor scrip, are being carried out by the Elders as far as possible. It will be only a short time until all are traveling in the same way in this mission. We now have twelve Elders in the southern part of the state, traveling in Riverside county, Orange county, Los Angeles city, San Diego city, and San Diego county.

CLEM HORSLEY.

## OPPOSITION TO MORMONISM.

147 KIRK Road, Wishaw, Scotland, March 1, 1897.—We herewith send a few items of our experience of late in this part.

The first intimation we had of any serious opposition was an item in one of the local news papers which reads as follows:

"For over a year a deputation of Mormons—Latter day Saints—have been prosecuting their cause and interests in this and the neighboring districts, as well as over the whole Britain. The various deputations are changed at intervals, but their crusade is being prosecuted without intermission. In the summer months of last year, the propagandist and controversialist aspects of the mission were shown in the weekly meetings which took place at Garrion Bridge, particularly on the Sabbath afternoons.

"The mission of the deputationists since then has been prosecuted more specially in and around the religious meetings of recognized Christian bodies in Wishaw and district. One minister in the district, at whose church several of the Mormons made a point of being present frequently, took the opportunity of informing all whom it might concern, that while he was pleased to see all and sundry there as worshippers, he distinctly objected to his church and meetings being made a proselyting ground of Mormons or others.

"Irrespective of this the efforts of the Mormon deputation in this quarter as well as others have not been without success in respect of inducing young women to emigrate to one or other of their various settlements in America. We understand that a batch of some twenty

five young women from the surrounding districts left by a recent steamer for Mormon settlements.

"On Wednesday evening an indignation meeting was held in Hermon Hall, Camhusnethan. It was thoroughly Anti-Mormon in its character and was vehemently addressed by several gentlemen, who denounced the Mormon propaganda. A strongly worded resolution against the Mormons and their crusade here was proposed and adopted."

The Anti-Mormons announced another meeting for the Friday following. At the appointed time four of us appeared at the hall door, and applied for admission which, after some parleying, was granted on condition that we would promise to behave ourselves and only speak when we were asked to do so. We told them that we were gentlemen and knew how to behave ourselves as such. We were then escorted into an anti-room, but later to the body of the hall, and sat about the center of the congregation. The meeting then began by singing and prayer. The prayer entreated the Lord to turn us from evil ways that we might turn and trust in Jesus and be saved. The speaker told the Lord he knew we were emissaries of the devil come to them as angels of light, and asked assistance in ridding the country of "this accursed Mormonism."

Then came a song which had been composed for the occasion. This was first sang as a solo by one of the leaders of the league and then at his request the whole congregation sang it.

Then a Mr. Waddle, who claims to have carried the "gospel" from one mining camp to another in Montana and other of the states, and also to have visited Utah, and to have been in Salt Lake City twice, stepped into the pulpit and read and explained a tract, one of which had been handed to each of the congregation as they entered the hall. It is made up of misstatements by the Reverend T. De Witt Talmage and an appeal to join the anti-Mormon crusade.

During the meeting the promoter gave each another tract giving an alleged but very untruthful history of the Mountain Meadow Massacre. This was also an extract from the Reverend T. De Witt Talmage's writings.

After talking for over two hours and bringing every accusation against the Latter-day Saints that could possibly be learned from news papers and books they then became personal and pointing to us called us liars, thieves, robbers, and murderers, and tried in every way to get, the people to throw us out. But in this they failed. They then closed their meeting, and gave us five minutes in which to answer the accusations they had made.

Elder P. G. Johnston arose and denied the untruths that had been told, and bore a powerful testimony of the truth of the work in which we are engaged; and in that five minutes we made more friends for us than our accusers had made in their two hours, speech making for themselves. The anti-Mormons then gave notice that they would hold another meeting on the following Friday evening.

During the week we got word we would not be allowed in the meeting, so we wrote to Glasgow to Brother William Leggat who came out in the evening and went to the meeting just a few moments

ahead of us, and was allowed in without a dissenting voice as he was a stranger. When we reached the hall they asked us what we wanted, and we told them we wished to attend the meeting; but they told us they would allow no one in the hall that was not against Mormonism, so we had the pleasure of returning home. Brother Leggat being a stenographer, took down their speeches and in an hour after the meeting closed we had the full account of what was said and done.

During the meeting they organized the league which requires a pledge against the Mormons from each one who join the society.

The league has been the means of closing all the halls in the district against us, so we are unable to hire any in which to hold meetings; but in a short time we will be able to hold meetings on the street corners and we will not be slow in embracing the opportunity.

The Elders in this conference are all enjoying good health and are earnestly engaged in spreading the Gospel among the people.

Your paper comes regularly and is always made welcome.

HARVEY E. COLTRIN,  
ROBERT CAMERON.

## IN SOUTH ALABAMA.

CAMDEN, Wilcox County, Ala.,

March 13th, 1897.

The work of the Lord is still progressing in South Alabama. Many openings are being made on all sides for preaching the Gospel; and as time rolls on we gain experience and become more efficient in our various callings.

In our conference, one cannot but notice the steady progress being made by the missionaries. Each day brings new opportunities for doing good—each day brings a victory over the obstacles met. The Lord is certainly stretching forth his mighty arm and gathering His people, Israel.

It seems as though a much more favorable spirit has seized the people here, for they are lending a listening ear, where not long ago a spirit of indifference predominated. The spirit of investigation seems to have come upon them and they are beginning to hearken.

We have thirty-two Elders busily engaged in the cause of truth in this conference, and expect two recruits about the 24th of the present month. And, although this is the largest number of reapers ever engaged in this field at one time, yet there is labor for a great many more, for we fully realize that "the harvest truly is great and the laborers are few."

There is not a week passes but some are added to the fold, and time alone can demonstrate what a mighty work will be done this year.

We have Elders in the city, the hamlet and country, and all have flattering reports to make. Of course we know that truth may be resisted, yet she is mighty and in the end will prevail. The humility and determination of our Elders is beginning to arouse the people from their lethargic state.

The weather of late has been quite changeable, and, owing to the great amount of rainfall, the country is very muddy. However, spring is here, and already has robed nature in her many beautiful colors, and the feathered war-