

At 2 p. m., after the usual opening exercises, President D. H. Brigham first occupied the stand. The speaker took up the subject of atonement, and next spoke upon the new revelation and the restoration of the Gospel. He touched upon apostasy and then bore his testimony to the divine mission of Joseph Smith.

President Wm. Spry spoke upon spiritual gifts, without which the Saints could not come to the knowledge of God. Referring to the present condition of the world, he said the time would come when the people of this nation would feel proud that they were born on the same soil as the Prophet Joseph.

The Elders were appointed to their respective fields of labor as follows: Elder L. E. Shurtliff, transferred from North to South Alabama to preside over that conference; Elders T. J. Howard and J. H. Manwaring, to labor in Marion and Franklin counties, Alabama; Wm. C. Brown and E. Clement, to labor in Monroe County, Mississippi, and Lamar County, Alabama; R. H. Hodge and F. Tanner, to labor in Fayette and Tuscaloosa counties, Alabama.

The conference concluded with prayer by Elder R. H. Hodge.

R. H. HODGE, Clerk.

MAHIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

This conference was held on October 2nd and 3rd, at Kopuawhara, a native village on the narrow isthmus which separates the restless surges of the Hawkes Bay from those of Poverty Bay. It was well attended by the Saints of the district. On reaching Kopuawhara, we found that President A. T. Wright and company had already arrived from Turanga. Short appropriate speeches were afterwards made by our principal hosts, and answered by the chieftains among the guests. This rather pleasing custom, which is purely native, generally lasts several hours, and sometimes half a day. When the Maories meet on these occasions they seldom disperse within three or four days or a week, and, being great eaters, the quantity of food that several hundreds of them consume, in that length of time, may be imagined.

At 10 a. m. on Saturday the rush meeting house was made cheerful inside by the happy faces of a crowded congregation. The time was occupied by the presidents of branches and superintendents of Sunday schools, who reported encouragingly. The Saints generally are diligent and faithful, and the "Word of wisdom" is being observed by many. Several entire branches are quite free from the use of tobacco, tea or coffee.

At the Priesthood meeting on Saturday evening sixty-five members were present. Many questions were asked, and answered by President Wright, who also gave some valuable instructions pertaining to the respective duties of the Saints.

The succeeding day being the first Sunday in the month and our fast day, the Saints partook of no breakfast. Excellent instructions were

given by President Wright, Elders Peter Beck and O. C. Dunford.

In the afternoon the general and local authorities were presented by J. T. Smellie, and sustained by unanimous vote.

Brother H. S. Geddes, who is to succeed Brother J. T. Smellie in the presidency, delivered a discourse replete with words of counsel. He was followed by Elder Oscar Andrus, who spoke of the power of good example. His remarks were interpreted by President Smellie. Some time was occupied by native brethren, who are spirited speakers.

In the evening a testimony meeting was held, and lasted four hours. During this time thirty-six testimonies were borne.

During conference the children of the day school taught in Nuhaka by Sister Ida Dunford surprised those present by singing a number of the Sunday school songs of Zion in a manner that reflected much credit upon their teacher.

Monday was spent in making arrangements for our general conference, which is to be held in Nuhaka, next April. In the evening the Saints assembled to deliver farewell speeches to President Wright, who will shortly return to the land of Zion.

ORIWA, Clerk of Conference.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Registration Officers.

The Utah commission Oct. 28th, appointed the following deputy registrars: Second precinct, Salt Lake City, T. R. Andrews; First precinct, H. W. Miles; Fort Herriman, Henry Greene; Second precinct, Ogden, W. M. Chapman; Third precinct, Ogden, Scott Anderson.

Released from Prison.

Tuesday morning, Oct. 28 Brother Joseph Turner, whose home, we believe, is in Lehi, was released from the penitentiary, having completed a sentence of two years on a charge of adultery, alleged to have been committed with his wife. The judgment required him to pay the costs but no fine.

A Fatal Mistake.

On October 27th a miner named Wm. D. Morrow, employed at the Marsac mill at Park City, quit work, feeling ill. He went home and, intending to take some diluted alcohol, put some sugar and water in a glass, and then poured in a quantity of what he supposed was alcohol. He had swallowed the draught before discovering what an awful mistake he had made. He had drunk a large dose of carbolic acid. Medical aid was quickly summoned, but it was in vain. The patient suffered horrible agony about an hour, and then died.

Injured His Eye.

The numerous friends of Brother Edward Stevenson will regret to learn that early on Saturday, Nov. 1st he met with a painful accident.

While engaged in chopping wood on his premises a splinter flew up and struck and penetrated his eye. The injury is so severe that the surgeon who examined it is of the opinion that the sight of the organ is destroyed, although he has some hopes that it may be partially saved. We join with the many friends of the respected veteran in the hope that he may recover the sight of the wounded eye.

"Liberal Pilgrims" at Brigham City.

October 27 the special train bearing the party of campaigners who style themselves "Liberal Pilgrims" reached Brigham City, and a meeting was attempted to be held on the Court House steps. The audience consisted of the "pilgrims," who had come to talk, and a few small boys. A few of the speakers addressed each other and the urchins, and the "meeting" came to a close after extending over a period of about fifteen minutes. The "Liberal" candidate for Congress and a number of the big guns of the party were present and shared in the chagrin consequent upon the fizzle.

Has a Crooked Look.

The following appeared in the *Tribune* of November 3d:

"Those who have changed residence from one precinct to another since the revision of the registration list can have the transfer made that will enable them to vote in the precinct where they now live, by calling on the registrars today."

There is a misrepresentation somewhere. An inquiry made of Registrar Stanton elicited the reply that such transfers could not be made, and that the statement to that effect that they could was all a mistake. The question is, what was the object of the *Tribune* making the foregoing unqualified statement? It is correct that transfers could not be legally made today.

An Uprising in Southern Russia.

LONDON, Oct. 28. — The *Telegraph's* St. Petersburg correspondent says: "The secretary of the interior has received a telegram conveying alarming accounts of peasant revolts in Kharkoo and Yekatermoslar districts in Southern Russia. Nine thousand troops are operating against the peasants in Bogookhoy districts, who refuse to betray their leaders and declare that they will not relapse in serfdom, preferring instead to die fighting. The peasants are prowling about in armed bands, firing and pillaging the land-owners' residences. They have burned 5000 acres of forest on the river Semora, and have destroyed immense quantities of corn in Bakvotsky."

Eyraud was Hypnotized.

PARIS, Oct. 28. — The Eyraud trial promises to be full of dramatic incidents. Hypnotism will be thoroughly gone into, Maitri Henri Robert, counsel for the woman Gabrielle Bompard, having decided to make a test of the question at issue whether his client was or was not hypnotized, as she claims, by her accom-