CHURCH AND MISSIONARY NEWS

NEWS FROM HOLY LAND.

The "News" is permitted to reproduce the following letter from a young elder to his grandfather, D. Osborn of Rexburg, Idaho. The young man comes from Montpelier, Idaho, and is but 18 years old. He writes:

Aleppo, Syria, Turkey, Oct. 19, 1907.

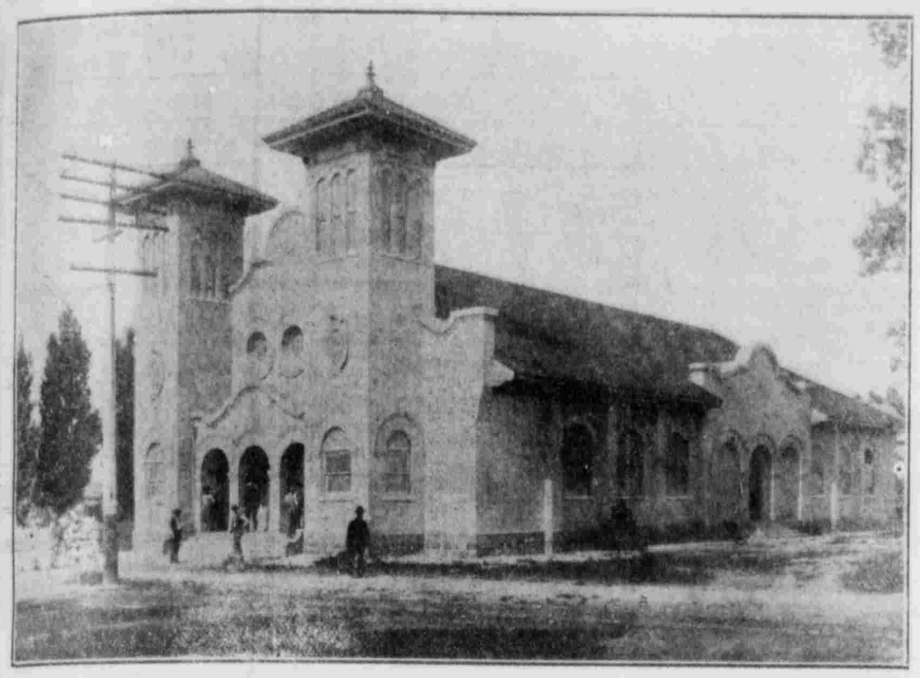
My Dear Grandfather,

I am still with Brother and Sister Booth and they treat me very kindly. Sister Booth has been a great help to me the past four months. She treats me as her son, as does Brother Booth, and I greatly love them for their kindness to me. The time is just flying I don't think, I have been here nearly four months and it seems like four weeks. At first it dragged along but now that I can speak a little Turkish the time fairly flies. It will be "Thanksgiving" by the time you get this. It will make the second "thanksgiving" I have spent away from home, once in Rexburg, 1904, and once in Turkey, 1907. But I expect this will be the happiest one I ever spent, in place of getting "full" I will be doing the work of the Lord.

The work here is progressing nicely; two weeks ago Brother Booth baptized two converts; we just administered to a sick child, one of the saints.

The traveler here is impressed by the extent of the survival of the dress and customs of ancient days. In the daily life of the people, many things seem unchanged since the days of St. Paul and St. John. Here may be observed the same low clay houses; so easy for the thief of the night to "break through and steal;" the eastern shepherd leading his flock and calling the sheep who evidently "know his voice;" fishermen casting and drawing their nets, as they did 1900 years ago; and in the village, the "two women grinding at the mill" preparing meal for their families, is in all propability the old-fashioned manner known to man. The sower sets the seed in the old-fashioned way; the grain is still threshed on threshing floors of great antiquity by driving footed cattle upon it, as was done years ago, so that the injunction, "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn," still has a real meaning in the land; the grain is still winnowed too by throwing it in the air to let the breeze blow out the chaff. Cultivation is carried on with the simplest instruments—the plow is still a crooked piece of wood, sometimes shod with iron. After the day's work the peasant shoulders his plow and leaves off with it to his village, for the farmers now, as in old days, live in villages rather than on their land. The plow is dragged through the ground by the most incongruous teams, sometimes an ox and ass being harnessed together, or an ass and a camel, such a team driven by the farmer in his oriental garb makes a striking picture, one that carries the mind back through centuries. Amid scenes like these, one is constantly being reminded of passages in the Bible, and the phraseology of the scriptures takes on a new and living meaning as incident and scene stir the memory. While much of the "holy land" is sterile and ragged wilderness, other localities are of extraordinary fertility. Some of the fields have been planted with grain for 4000 years, and still produce good crops. You may buy watermelons here 18 inches in diameter for 7 cents, grapes for which Syria is noted, get as low as one-half cent per pound, egg plant, 5 cents per 100. The average working man gets 20 or 30 cents per day and "donkey boys" trudge all day long for for 8 cents. Every day we see camels enough to make a caravan miles in length, the donkey is also used extensively, but more commonly in villages and towns, owing to the fact that it is more handy to get around in the narrow streets, some of which are but four feet wide. The part of town in which we are living is called "caw-zon charchah," cauzon means stew pan, and charchah means market, or "stew-pan market because many stewpans are made in this section. We all call it "Stewpan alley."

JOSEPH O. PHELPS.



NEBO STAKE TABERNACLE, PAYSON, UTAH.

COPENHAGEN CONFERENCE.

The Copenhagen conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints convened at the Latter-day Saints' church, Kasgade 11 N, Saturday evening, Oct. 26, President Lorentz Peterson presiding. Reports were read from the different branches which showed the conference in a good condition. Pres. J. M. Christensen approved the elders for the good work performed and thanked the saints for their goodness toward him while president of the mission. He expressed his pleasure with the reports of the different branches and of the conference which was given by President Peterson.

Sunday forenoon the Sunday school held its conference which was well attended. An excellent program of class exercises, songs, recitations, etc., was carried out.

The conference was continued Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. After the opening exercises Elders J. P. Mielstrup and Victor E. Madsen made brief addresses and bore strong testimonies to the divinity of the gospel. President J. M. Christensen addressed the conference, and delivered a very powerful discourse upon the life of the Savior.

The evening meeting was held at 6 o'clock and was well attended. President Soren Rasmussen in an eloquent sermon, discussed the first principles of the gospel. In a very able manner he traced the gospel from the time of the Savior until the present, showing the apostasy and the restoration, and bore a strong testimony to the truth of Mormonism. President Christensen spoke upon the authenticity of the Book of Mormon, and he delivered a very interesting discourse upon the subject.

Monday evening a Sacrament meeting was held at which the general and local officers of the Church were unanimously sustained. Elder Soren Rasmussen was sustained as president of the Scandinavian mission, with N. C. Christensen, Jr., as secretary of the mission.

Monday a priesthood meeting was held at which valuable instructions were given by Presidents J. M. Christensen and Soren Rasmussen.

The Relief Society held its conference Tuesday evening and the meeting was well attended.

Wednesday evening a bazar, under the auspices of the Relief society, was held in the large hall. It was well attended and was a financial success.

During the conference sacred solos were rendered by Sister Helena Fyen and Elders Victor E. Macken and N. C. Christensen, Jr. The choir rendered appropriate music in a commendable manner. The saints of Copenhagen are very proud of the talent that exists among the young people of this city along musical lines.

At the meeting Monday evening President Christensen expressed satisfaction in the progressive state of this branch of the Church, and was proud of the good work being accomplished by the elders.

During the past month a retired army officer, his two daughters and a son, also one more have been added to the fold, and others are expressing a desire to become initiated.

Much prejudice is being allayed by the good work of the elders in this city. What opposition we meet comes from the priests, the ignorant and the religious fanatics. During the past six months the elders have done more work here in the city in the line of distributing tracts and books than has ever been done in the same length of time since the gospel was introduced into Denmark. The following report will show the amount done during the past six months: Copenhagen City: tracts distributed, 24,403; books distributed, 411; strangers houses visited, 28,407; gospel conversations, 1,407; baptisms, 11; missionaries laboring in the city were only five. Following is the report of the conference with the city included: Tracts distributed, 55,074; books distributed, 1,682; strangers houses visited, 46,782; gospel conversations, 4,530; baptisms, 16.

The elders both in the city and outside are doing their very best to spread the truths of the gospel.

The Sunday schools and the Mutual Improvement associations are in excellent condition and a good work is being done in this section. We are generally favored with large congregations to preach to. All the elders are enjoying perfect health and the spirit of their callings.

President J. M. Christensen and Elder Victor E. Madsen, secretary of the mission, have been honorably released to return home after a labor of two and a half years in the ministry. A farewell party was tendered them and Elder H. P. Folkerson in the large assembly hall Thursday evening. About 200 assembled to pay their respects to the departing brethren. All formality was put aside and friends and saints alike joined in what proved to be an extremely pleasant evening's entertainment. A very appropriate program was rendered. The departing brethren were each presented with a token of esteem and respect from the missionaries, and the members of the branch. At 12 o'clock the evening's enjoyment closed with expressions of best wishes and God-speed on every side for the departing friends.

President Christensen, Elder Victor E. Madsen and a number of others elders will leave here on Friday for a sight-seeing trip through Germany. While en route they will visit Paris, London and all the principal cities along their line of travel. They will sail for home from Liverpool on the ship Canada, Nov. 21, and the port of entry will be at Portland, Maine. The brethren will leave with the love, esteem and the best wishes of the elders and saints of Scandinavia.

A very successful social was given Friday evening by the members of the choir in honor of their leader, Victor E. Madsen. There were many beautiful songs rendered by the choir and speeches by a number of the brethren.

A very pleasant evening was spent by all in partaking of refreshments and in social converse. Elder Madsen was presented with a token of respect from the members of the choir. N. C. Christensen, Jr., has been sustained as choir leader and Hugo C. A. Peterson as organist.

Elder H. P. Folkerson, traveling elder for the Copenhagen conference, has been honorably released to return home. He will also sail from Liverpool on Nov. 21.

Elder Lorentz Peterson will continue as president of the conference with J. P. Mielstrun as traveling elder.

Elder Fred Jorgensen has been appointed secretary of the conference and clerk of the branch.

The elders are making many friends in Copenhagen and the outlying districts, and they report that the prospects for the future are very encouraging.

FRED JORGENSEN,
Secretary.

Mission address, Kasgade 11 N., Copenhagen, Denmark.

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SCIENCE AND THE GOSPEL.

Some 10 years ago I made prediction that the most important harvest in the missionary field would be reaped from among the real scientists. Not the common scholars and students in physical science only, but among men of the type of Herbert Spencer, Thomas H. Huxley and John Tyndall. I could see that the time was ripe for the wise men in the world, the men who are earnestly seeking for the truth, to turn their attention to and investivate the teachings of "Mormonism."

An animated conversation with an intelligent well educated Darwinian that I had about that time, thoroughly convinced me that the members of that school would in the then near future find in the revealed word of God a veritable key to the real doctrine of evolution. I heard then what I had surmised before, that the Darwin's evolutionary doctrine was the offspring of the Christian doctrine of a God without bounds, body, parts or passions. He plainly saw that such a being could not be God. It was nearer to being a universal and eternal law to which every existence and every coming into existence, must be subject so by taking this for a guide he formulated his well known doctrine of everylasting progress.

That the gospel embraces all truth is the fundamental principle of all its progress and stability and as one truth cannot contradict another, every scientific truth which finds its way into the teachings of the Church, becomes a veritable strength to the Church.

The influence of the teachings of Mormonism upon the higher educational and scientific circles, is but scantily known even though occasionally some indications thereof are brought to light. One of the latest which have come to my notice, is an editorial in "The Independent" of Nov. 7, 1907, under the heading "The Immortality of the Soul," which is as follows:

"Sir Oliver Lodge is trying to teach the teachers of religion. His late 'Catechism' attracted no little attention, adapted as it was to the teachings of physical science. He has now given a lecture which we presume will appear in the Hibbert Journal in which he makes declarations on immortality of the soul. He is thus quoted:

"'Nobody knows what the controlling entity called life, soul and other names is, but common sense rebels against it being nothing. No genuine scientist has presumed to declare it a purely imaginary nonentity.

"'No really existing thing perishes. It only changes its form. Science shows this clearly enough concerning matter and energy, and it must also regard mind, consciousness, will, memory, love, adoration, and all the other manifold activities which strangely interact with matter and appeal to the bodily senses. They are not nothing and will never vanish into nothingness.

"'They do not arise with us. They never spring suddenly into being from previous nonexistence. They are as eternal as the Godhead itself, and will in eternal being, endure forever.'"

Commenting on this the editor says: "That conclusion is very satisfactory, and comforting if somewhat apodictic. We wonder if this is all that science has to say."

No! This is not all that science has to say regarding the future existence, and immortality of the soul. Science in its proper meaning signifies, acknowledged truths and laws, in any department of mind or matter, digested and arranged into system, which is the same as verified truth. Hence, the gospel as revealed from the heavens is in its proper sense, a perfect science. And it is in the gospel science where the regeneration, and future existence of the soul is explained, in such a simple and comprehensible way, that any one earnestly and without prejudice in searching for the truth cannot fail to understand it. And the above quotations from Sir Oliver Lodge as regarding mind and matter, are in perfect harmony with the teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith. And sooner or later through the instrumentality of the wise men of the world, the world will apprehend that all the teachings of the Prophet of Palmyra are in reality apodictical.

JOHN THORGIERSON.

MILWAUKEE CONVENTION.

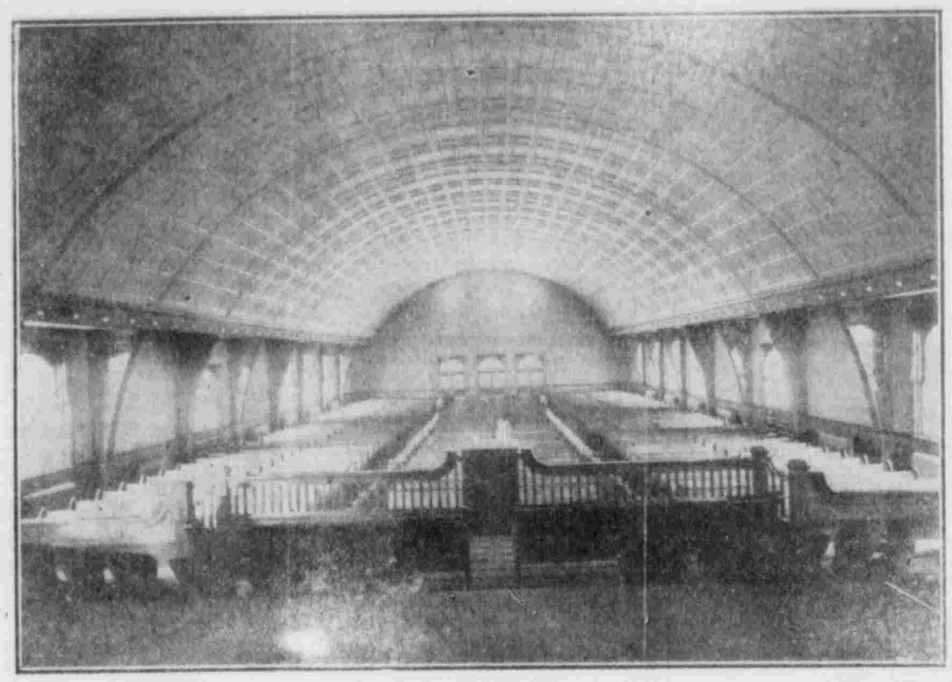
Milwaukee, Nov. 17.—The first session of the general semi-annual convention of the Wisconsin conference of the Northern States mission, convened in the new church at 2707 Clark street, Milwaukee, Nov. 17, at 2 p. m. Conference President E. O. Olson presiding.

Considerable advertising had been done and a goodly number were present, including saints from each of the other branches in the state.

After the usual devotional opening exercises President E. O. Olson made a few introductory remarks and reported briefly the missionary work of the past summer. He was followed by Elders H. E. Smith and Frank Beecher, who spoke briefly on the principles of the gospel and exhorted the saints to faithfulness.

Elder Ernest Rossiter was the next speaker. He took up some of the Book of Mormon characters as examples of men who had implicit faith in God.

Mission President G. E. Ellsworth occupied the remainder of the time with a spirited talk on the principles of correct living.



INTERIOR NEBO STAKE TABERNACLE.

NEBO STAKE CONFERENCE.

The regular quarterly conference of the Nebo stake convened in the stake tabernacle Nov. 23 and 24, President J. S. Page, Jr., presiding. There were present of the general Church authorities Presidents Joseph F. Smith, Anthon H. Lund, Francis M. Lyman, Patriarch John Smith and Asst. Church Historian Andrew Jenson, also a full attendance of the stake presidency, together with a large representation of high councilors, bishoprics of wards and presiding members of auxiliary organizations.

The special and very important feature of the conference was the dedication of the new stake tabernacle. The saints generally throughout the stake feel proud of this building, and the visiting brethren were well pleased with it; especially did they commend its simplicity and moderate cost.

By way of explanation it might be well to mention that the building was erected, paid for and dedicated within 18 months' time. The cost being $32,000. One pleasing feature which is worthy of note is that no second assessment was necessary and the people have appropriated their means willingly and there is no feeling that it has been burdensome to them. The seating capacity is something over 1,600.

At the dedicatory services which were held Sunday afternoon, President Joseph F. Smith, after delivering a powerful and impressive discourse, offered the dedicatory prayer.

The musical program of the whole conference, under the direction of Stake Chorister George H. Done and Asst. C. Bale, was rendered in a most creditable manner, especially are the following anthems which were written for the occasion worthy of mention: Hymn-anthem, "Dedication," by George H. Done, and "Praise the Lord," by O. P. Huish.

The discourses and counsel given were appropriate and highly edifying, the attendance especially on Sunday was large and the people enjoyed the meetings and feel that they have had a time long to be rememberedd.

THOMAS W. LEIRWILL,
Clerk.

The second session of the conference convened at 7:30 p. m.

Elder W. L. Wanlass spoke for a few minutes on the first principles of the gospel. Elder Hyrum Stocking made a few remarks along the same line.

President Ellsworth was the next speaker. His remarks were full of good instruction and advice.

The third session of the convention convened Nov. 18 at 7:30 p. m.

Elders J. A. Bourne, J. S. Brandley and Henry Lewis, Jr., gave some good ipstructions. David Evans of Berlin, Wis., bore his testimony to the truthfulness of the gospel and told how it was to be isolated from a branch of the Church. Branch President C. L. Ruechert spoke for a few minutes.

Quartet sang, "Oh My Father."

Closing remarks were made by President E. O. Olson. Meeting closed by choir and congregation singing, "We Thank Thee, O God, for a Prophet," and benediction by Elder Samuel Rex.

Reports showed the Wisconsin conference to be in a flourishing condition and as having had a very successful season in missionary work.

W. L. WANLESS, Secretary.

ALBERTA STAKE CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of Alberta stake convened in the Cardston ward assembly hall Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16 and 17, 1907, Counselor Thomas Duce of the stake presidency presiding. There were present of the council of the twelve apostles, Heber J. Grant; and of the presidency of Davis stake, Hyrum Grant; a goodly representation of stake and ward officers, and a large congregation of members in attendance, and beautiful weather prevailed.

On the Friday evening previous, a meeting of the high priests of the stake was held at 6 o'clock, and favorable reports were given by a number of the ward representatives of the labors of the high priests in the various wards, followed by exhortations and useful instructions by the visiting brethern.

At 8 p. m. a meeting of all the officers of the stake was held, and reports given from the auxiliary organizations, and further instructions given by the visiting brethren.

On Saturday the general condition of the stake was reported by Elder Thomas Duce, showing temporal prosperity in the bounteous harvest just gathered, and due diligence manifest among the saints in carrying out the requirements made of them, especially in honoring the law of tithing. He was followed by several of the bishops, who gave favorable details in regard to their respective wards, after which Elder John F. Parrish reported the labors of the high council, especially as aids to the quorums of the priesthood and auxiliary organizations.

Elder Hyrum Grant followed, speaking of the duties of the saints in everyday life, and the course necessary to obtain and retain the spirit of the gospel.

Elder Heber J. Grant impressed upon the saints the necessity of diligence in the work of the Lord, as mere belief is a falacy, and cautioned all to guard against the sin of intemperance and all excesses, also against prejudice, which warps the judgment, blinds the eyes of mankind, and retards the progress of the saints in the faith and spirit of the gospel.

Sunday, the 17th, the forenoon session was occupied by the Sunday school.

In the afternoon the general authorities of the Church, and the local authorities of the stake, were presented, and sustained unanimously by the congregation.

Elder Hyrum Grant bore testimony to the truth and efficacy of the gospel, and spoke of the obligations resting upon those on whom the priesthood had been conferred of honoring the same.

Elder Heber J. Grant delivered a powerful discourse upon the Word of Wisdom and purity of life.

SYLVESTER LOW,
Clerk.

CONFERENCE AT SEATTLE.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 13.—The Seattle conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints convened Nov. 10 at Latter-day Saints church, 2813 Western avenue, at 10 a. m., President Nephi Pratt of the Northwestern States mission presiding. Regardless of the inclement weather, the dense fog and the slow transportation brought about by the weather, there was a large attendance at every session of the conference. The statistical report showed marked improvement, both in the Sunday school and branch membership. The gospel is spreading in Seattle, and the elders are making a host of friends by their continued street preaching.

The discourses delivered at the conference were all inspiring. President Pratt and visiting elders from Tacoma conference, Elder V. Bran, Elder Cowley, Elders Swindel and Hooper, and Elder Kirby of Seattle being the speakers. Miss Cora Hawley, assisted by Miss Emma Maxfield, sang in a commendable manner the song, "A Dream of Paradise." The Seattle choir exhibited marked efficiency in the rendition of the hymns and anthems.

A social Monday evening, when all the young people enjoyed themselves in a dance, was a success, and an example to the world of how a party of this character should be conducted.

The elders are all in perfect health and spirits, and rejoice in the bright prospects visible for the future.

Elder J. J. Kirby, who has been presiding over the branch, was released to return to his home, having filled a faithful mission.

The regular elders' meeting, held Monday, 11th inst., was a spiritual feast.

J. R. TAGGART,
Secretary.

Box 682, Seattle, Wash.

TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 12.—President Ben. E. Rich of the Southern States mission met with the elders in general conference on the 10th of November in K. of P. hall, 511½ Church street, in this city. Two public and one priesthood meetings were held. At the priesthood meeting, President William N. Patten, Elders S. W. Bills and Geo. W. Miller were honorably released after having fulfilled good and faithful missions. Elder D. S. Dorrity, formerly first counselor to President Patten, was chosen to succeed him. Elder Henry Sudweeks was chosen as first counselor and Elder William N. Knowlton as second. At the public meetings the three elders who had been released bore strong and convincing testimonies to the truthfulness of the gospel, after the truth zof the gospel, after which President Rich spoke at length on Mormonism and its effects. The listeners went away feeling that they were amply repaid for their time and that Mormonism was not too cheap to be good. Late in the evening after the night service, the elders were appointed to their respective fields of labor, and they all expressed themselves as being well paid as well as greatly strengthened for having walked hundreds of miles in getting to conference.

On the 12th the elders all left for their winter fields of labor, with joyful hearts and humble spirits, with a determination to work harder for the establishment of truth and the upbuilding of God's great kindom than ever before. The city of Memphis is to be opened up and a great work is now in progress.

PREST. D. S. DORRITY.

RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

The following elders have reported personally or by letter at the Historian office their return from foreign missions. In all the fields represented the gospel work is making very gratifying progress:

Oct. 30.—William L. Roundy of Mapleton, Utah Co., formerly of Benson, Cache Co., from the Eastern States mission; set apart Oct. 2, 1905. Released on account of ill health.

Nov. 2.—Elder John D. Hardy of Colonia Pachico, Mexico, from the Central States mission; set apart Aug. 13, 1903.

Nov. 9.—J. T. Hunt of Sugar City, Idaho, from the Southern States mission; set apart April 3, 1905. Returns at this time on account of the death of his father.

Nov. 10.—J. Irwin Lauritzen of Moroni, Sanpete Co., Utah from the Eastern States mission; set apart January 9, 1906.

Nov. 12.—John T. Parker of Rexburg, R. F. D. No. 3, of Fremont Co., Idaho, from the Southern states mission; set apart Dec. 5, 1905.

Nov. 14.—Vern Lyman of Boulder, Garfield Co., Utah returned from the Central States mission; set apart Oct. 15, 1902. Presided over the South Texas conference the last 18 months.

Nov. 15.—Joseph Woodbury of Beaver, Beaver Co., from the Eastern States mission; set apart Nov. 1, 1905. Presided over the North West Virginia conference the last seven months.

Arthur R. Capener of Garland, Boxelder Co., from the Northern States mission, set apart Dec. 19, 1905. Was president of the South Illinois conference the past 10 months.

Nov. 15.—Arthur R. Holt of South Jordan, Salt Lake Co., from the Eastern states mission; set apart Nov. 15, 1905.

Ebenezer H. Tayne of Wellington, Carbon Co., from the Eastern States mission, set apart Aug. 4, 1897. Honorably released on account of illness.

Owen Henry Barrus of Grantsville, Tooele Co., who was set apart Feb. 6, 1906, returned from the Eastern States mission where he labored principally in the state of New York and in Toronto, Canada. During his stay in the mission field he visited 34 families of his own relatives and obtained quite a large geneatogical record, he also baptized three of his relatives and four others who never heard nor saw a Latter-day Saint elder until he visited them.

Nov. 18.—W. R. Roderick of Samaria, Idaho, from the Northwestern States mission to which he was set apart Oct. 10, 1905.

Nov. 13.—Paris L. Fillmore of Burrville, Sevier Co., from the Southern States mission; set apart Oct. 16, 1905.

Frank Paul Whitney of Rexburg, Fremont Co., Idaho from the Southern States mission; set apart Sept. 5, 1905.

Nov. 23.—Silas William Bills of Riverton, Salt Lake Co., Utah, from the Southern States mission; set apart July 11, 1904.

George W. Miller of Spring Glen, Carbon Co., Utah, from the Southern States mission; set apart Oct. 12, 1905.

William N. Patten of Moore, Blaine Co., Idaho, from the Southern States mission; set apart Dec. 5, 1904. He presided over the Middle Tennessee conference for nearly a year.

Nov. 24.—Marriner O. Merrill of Richmond, Cache Co., Utah, from the Eastern States mission; set apart Oct 3, 1906. Released on account of sickness at home.

GENEALOGY.

All communications for this department should be addressed to Mrs. Elizabeth C. McCune, corner Main and First North streets, Salt Lake City, chairman Genealogical committee of Daughters of Pioneers.

There are so many letters for this department this week that most of them will be answered privately, and those which have some general interest will appear here for the present. The Daughters of the Pioneers wish to express this beautiful Thanksgiving week their profound gratitude to the Father of us all, who has answered their secret and public prayers, and who has helped His daughters in their earnest endeavor to awaken a deep interest in genealogy in both the descendants of those heroes and heroines who have made great and willing sacrifice to build up this Church. We here publicly thank our Father in heaven; we render gratutude to those who have given us help in establishing our classes in genealogy, and to all who take an interest therein. Our new companies in Cache and Benson stakes are doing most excellent work, and requests for organizations are coming in from many other sections. For all this, we thank God and our good friends.

LEE—BELL.

Work was done in the Logan temple for the Bell family by Mrs. Mary A. Lee of Marion, Ida.

WOOLSTENHULME.

Elder Woolstenhulme of Marion, Utah, asks for information in regard to the work, said to be performed by James Woostenhulme, of North Ogden. Was there a mistake in the name and place of residence, as given in the list of work done in the Logan temple? Elder Woolstenhulme was born in Nottington, Lancashire, Eng. He has done work for the Mellor, Hardman, and Greenhaigh families in the Logan and Salt Lake temples.

ADAMS—SHARK.

Mrs. Ethel Clark of Colonia Dublan, Mexico, wishes to inform any branches of the Adams family that she has cal information for them of great genealogical information for them of great interest. She is not able to connect this inormation to her own particular line, but will be glad to turn it over to those who may be related. She also has information in regard to the Sharp family.

HORTON.

I desire to inquire through the genealogical column of the "News," if there are any, among its many readers, who were acquainted with the family of Caroline Horton and Sarah Horton.

Caroline Horton married the late Prest. Lorenzo Snow and Sarah Horton died while crossing the plains. Anybody who could give any information regarding this family would confer a great favor by writing to me.

Very respectfully,
MRS. F. H. SNOW.

Cardston, Alberta, Canada.

WARNER.

Samuel B. Warner of Rigby, Fremont county, Idaho, wishes to know if there are any of his name in the Church, who have genealogical information. He did a little work in the Logan temple in 1896. He had at that time some 50 names, but his father informed him that there were only 17 of his kindred dead ready to receive the gospel. And when he came to examine his list he found just that number with sufficient data for the work to be done. Any Warners who are interested may address Elder Warner at Rigby, Ida.

INTERESTING INCIDENT.

Elder William Wright of Centerville, writes as follows: "I have seen many marvelous things in this Church and have experienced some; but I will take time to write only one. I have done considerable work in the temples for my kindred, and that work goes on; for I cannot finish all that I secure, for lack of time and means. I started my work in the Logan temple, but continue it in the Salt Lake temple. At one time, I had a growth in my left side which came to be a very large lump. I went to several doctors, but got no satisfaction. At last, I decided to go to the temple and work for my dead friends. After entering the temple I was too sick to go on with the work; I was in such pain. I was at last conducted to Prest. Lorenzo Snow. He came to me, and he read me as if I were an open book. He looked me through and through. Then he asked me if I kept the Word of Wisdom. I told him that I did, all but in the matter of drinking tea. He asked me if I couldn't quit my tea. I told him I would try. Then he asked Elder William Salmon to anoint me, and Prest. Snow blessed me and confirmed the anointing. He told me I should be healed if I would keep the Word of Wisdom. That growth has stopped from that day to this, it has never grown a particle. I still take tea, as I am a freighter, and that is all the warm food I have. But there has never been any more pain nor trouble in my side. "Wouldn't the growth have gone away entirely, if the brother had quit his tea?" is a question asked by a friend.

Those who desire to procure family genealogical information, pedigrees or lineages, should correspond with the Genealogical Society of Utah, Anthon H. Lund, president. Historian's office, Salt Lake City, Joseph F. Smith, Jr., secretary.

WORK DONE IN MANTI TEMPLE.

Following are names of families already officiated for, in part, at least, in the Manti temple:

Coolidge family of Massachusetts, by Elvira Cox of Manti.

Coolidge family of Massachusetts by Dr. Hovey of Salt Lake City.

Cooper family of England, by Mrs. Pixton of Salt Lake City.

Corey family of England, by Howard Corey of Provo.

Croft and Craft families, by Elder Croft, of St. George.

Crane amily, by J. C. Whitbeck of Manti.

Cox family, by Cox brothers of Manti.

Cox family, by John Cox of Fairview.

Cutler family, by Bishop Cutler of Long Valley.

Chauncey family, by Allan Stout of Rockville.

Candes family, by John Riggs of Provo.

Chase family, by John D. Chase, of Huntington.

Cogwell family, by R. T. Blanchard of Springville.

Curtis family of New England, by Curtis family of Aurora.

Carpenter family, by J. W. Carpenter of Bloomington.

Chandler family, by Russell Chandler of St. George.

Cliff and Cliff families of England, Scotland, or Wales, by Edward Cliff of Mt. Pleasant.

Corwin family, by Addison Everett of St. George.

Cossett family, by Mrs. L. R. Chaffin of Cedar City.

Collins family, by Mrs. Caroline R. Smoot of Provo.

Cleveland family, by Mrs. J. L. Smith of St. George.

Censtock family, by F. D. Richards of Salt Lake City.

Chafin family of New England by D. H. Wells family of Salt Lake City.

Chipman family of Essex, by Washburn Chipman, of American Fork.

Canfield family, by David Canfield of Hamblin.

Chidester family, by J. P. Chidester of Washington.

Cole family, by T. J. Patten of Provo.

Crosby family, by Jesse W. Crosby of St. George.

Crosby family, by Jonathan Crosby of Beaver.

Clement family, by D. S. Clement of Fairview.

Conover family, of United States, by P. W. Conover of Provo.

Davis family, by C. A. Davis of Spanish Fork.

Day family, by Abraham Day of Lawrence.

Draper family, by Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth of Manti.

Dimmick family, by Mrs. Zina D. H. Smith of Salt Lake City.

Dexter family, by A. P. Winsor of St. George.

Dodge family, by ——Dodge of Tequerville.

Douglas family of England, by Mrs. Douglas of Payson.

Dutcher family, by Asariah Smith of Manti.

Dewey family, of United States, by F. D. Richards of Salt Lake City.

Depuy family, by James Caldwell of Hamblin.

Darrow family, by Amanda D. Patten of Provo.

Science Siftings.

The luminesen gas on at the latest exposition in Berlin of inventions is that liquid air will soon enter the field as a very serious competitor of steam and electric power.

The telephone apparently so extremely sensitive, is found by Henry Abraham to transmit to the ear less than a thousandth of the energy received from the line.

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