

# THE EVENING NEWS.

Tuesday, June 21, 1870.

## MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

of the Southern Mission, Held in St. George.

FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 1870, 10 a.m.

Elder Erastus Snow presiding.  
The stand were Erastus Snow, President of the Mission; Levi W. Hancock, Henry Harriman and Jacob Gates, of the First Seven Presidents of the Seventies; Joseph W. Young, Robert Card and James G. Bleak, of the Presidency of this State of Zion; William O. Perkins, Patriarch, and the Brethren, and presiding Elders of most of the settlements of the Southern Mission.

The meeting was called to order and conference opened by the choir singing "Lift up a Standard."  
Prayer by President H. Harriman.  
Singing, "Guide us, O, thou great Jehovah."

President Jacob Gates delivered a few introductory remarks on the object of our meeting together at Conference this day.

President Snow addressed the meeting, and in a course of his remarks, said, there are many who mean to be Latter-day Saints, who by and by will have to acknowledge to themselves, if they do not express it openly, "I have been a little wilful and heady, not subject to good, wholesome order and government, I have not heeded the counsel given; I have not been sufficiently anxious to learn the ways of the Lord, and have let many golden opportunities pass by me!" This will be the cause, judgment and feeling of many good men as they grow older and wiser. It is impossible for the great mass of the people to feel what their leaders feel. They may say their leaders are not men like themselves; true, so is the father like the son, yet, the child cannot feel the same responsibility that the father does.

Choir sang, "Come! Oh, thou King of Kings."  
Benediction by Elder Henry Harriman.

2 P.M.

Singing by Elder Levi W. Hancock.  
Prayer by Elder Levi W. Hancock.

Elder Henry Harriman preached a gospel sermon, showing that faith and works are both necessary.  
Elder Levi W. Hancock bore strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel, as revealed to Joseph Smith in this generation, and briefly reviewed his experience in the Church, for nearly forty years.

Elder Joseph W. Young spoke of the work which God has given us to do; and, in speaking of co-operative measures, that when the Kingdom of God is fully set up, that kingdom will include everything for the good, peace and prosperity of the people.  
President Snow appointed a meeting for the Seventies and Elders at 6 p.m.

Benediction by E. Snow.

SATURDAY, JUNE 25th, 10 a.m.

Singing by St. George Choir.  
Prayer by Elder H. D. Covington.  
Singing by the Swiss choir.

Bishop Edward Barker spoke of the Kingdom of God, and said that for his part, he would rather fall into the hands of the living God than into the hands of the wicked.

Bp. A. P. Winsor preached a co-operative sermon.  
Bp. Meliah Hatch, in reporting Eagleville Ward, said the people are united, "we have co-operated in a small field and I can bear my testimony that it works admirably well."

Elder Robert Gardner spoke upon co-operative associations in general.  
Elder James G. Bleak addressed the people on the co-operative spirit of the day; in all his experience in the Church he saw that every measure proposed by our leaders had been productive of good in proportion to the obedience rendered thereto by the people.

President E. Snow continued on the principle of co-operation. In speaking of the mines in the Territory, he said if the mines must be worked, it is better for the saints to work them than for others to do it, but we have all the time prayed that the Lord would shut up the mines. It is better for us to live in peace and good order, and to raise wheat, corn, potatoes and fruit, than to suffer the evils of a mining life, and do no more than make a living at last.

"Let us have peace," by St. George choir.

Benediction by Elder Levi Stewart.

2 P.M.

Singing by Swiss choir.  
Prayer by Elder David H. Cannon.  
Autism by St. George choir.

Bp. J. T. Willis reviewed the principles of co-operation.  
Bp. William Snow showed our dependence upon revelation and the necessity of our obeying the principles of the gospel, and then talked of the advantages of co-operation.

Elder Joseph Birch reviewed the disadvantages of uncombined labor and spoke of the decided advantages attending an intelligent combination thereof.  
Singing by the Swiss choir.

President Snow said, the time during the past two days, has been devoted to speaking on the principles of co-operation, and upon the best way to discharge our every day duties, but that to-morrow will be devoted to discouraging upon principle and doctrine, that spirit as well as body may be properly cared for. He called a meeting for the brethren in the evening, to take into consideration articles of agreement for the Rio Virgin Co-operative Manufacturing Association.

Singing, "Come ye that love the Lord."

Benediction by Elder Jos. W. Young

SUNDAY, June 26th, 10 a.m.

St. George choir sang "Awake ye Saints."

Prayer by Bishop Geo. H. Crosby.  
Singing by the Swiss choir.

Elder John Bennett felt blest in attending conference and spoke on co-operative sheep raising.  
Elder James A. Little said "I was formerly a citizen of St. George and, thinking myself growing poor, I wanted to move to where I would be self-sufficient. I went to Eagle Valley with brother Snow's consent and thought that, at least, in five years I should be as well off as the brethren in St. George."

would be. But I find many of the brethren here, that have stayed are far ahead of me. The lesson I draw from this is that it matters not where we are called to labor, we are bound to do well if we serve the Lord and do our duty." He bore testimony to the wisdom manifested by President Snow whilst presiding over the Southern settlements.  
Elder Samuel Hamar said it is a feast to me to assemble with the Saints in St. George. He then spoke of the peace prevailing among us and the admiration of travelers passing through, who think it a miracle that such a beautiful city should be built in the desert.  
Elder Levi Stewart said he had come to live in this mission, and had settled in the extreme eastern borders of our settlements. He bore testimony to the progress made by the people through adhering to the counsels of the priesthood.

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