

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

business. The store of A. Madsen & Sons Mercantile company, bearing on its side the legend "The Union Wool and Live Stock Commission Company," has an imposing appearance and is well stocked with goods, as is also the case with the other stores of the town.

Mrs. Ellen Peterson, who died at St. Mark's hospital, was buried here yesterday. The funeral services were conducted at the Presbyterian chapel, the Rev. H. H. McCreary and J. D. Gillison conducted the services. The deceased is the sister of A. S. Nelson of this place. She leaves five children, one of them, Miss Elenora Peterson, is engaged as teacher in one of the schools of Salt Lake City.

A. J.

SISTERS IN THE BRITISH MISSION.

24 Sylvan St., Oldham, Lancashire, England, April 30, 1898.

To the Editor:

On Sunday last, April 24th, we held our conference in Oldham, and it was truly a time of rejoicing. We procured the largest hall and best one in town, and previously advertised in papers and by doggers, and by holding open air meetings. The result was, we had a large congregation at each of the three services held.

At 10:30 Elder Bradshaw opened the conference. There were present on the stand President Rulon S. Wells and counselors from the Liverpool office; the sixteen Manchester Elders; also twelve visiting Elders from other conferences and two ladies that have been called to fill a mission. They had just landed two days previous. They are Sister Jennie Brimhall and Sister Inez Knight, both of Provo, Utah. We also had present Sister Caroline Smith and Sister Noall from Salt Lake City, who are here on a visit.

After the opening exercises Elder Bradshaw presented the general authorities of the Church; also the presidency of the European mission and Elders of the Manchester conference, who were all unanimously sustained.

At the afternoon exercises Elder Jos. W. McMurrin was the first speaker. Sister Caroline Smith was then introduced to the audience. She said she was pleased to meet with the English people in conference assembled. She spoke of Utah and Utah women as being the freest women on earth. She bore her testimony that Joseph Smith was a Prophet of God. Sister Noall of Salt Lake was next introduced and spoke at some length, explaining to the congregation that the people of Utah were sober, industrious and a God-fearing people. Elders J. H. Paul and E. F. Parry were the next speakers.

The next meeting was held at 6:30 p. m. Elders Jos. E. McMurrin then spoke at some length on the Gospel. Sisters Jennie Brimhall and Inez Knight, both of Provo, Utah, each spoke at some length on Utah and her people and bore strong testimonies on the restoration of the Gospel and the divine mission of Joseph Smith. There were about 800 people present and a pin could have been heard drop.

President Rulon S. Wells was the next speaker and spoke at length on the principles of the Gospel and pleaded with the people to investigate the Gospel for themselves.

We believe that much good will come to the mission from the presence here of the sisters from Utah. The work in this part is growing very rapidly; two years ago the Manchester conference was one of the weakest in England, and now is the leading one.

I have taken great pleasure and satisfaction in my labors during the twenty-five months I have been here. All the Elders feel encouraged with the outlook.

JOSEPH S. BROADBENT.

London, May 18.—Mail advices received here today from Freetown, the capital of the British colony of Sierra Leone, West Africa, give details of the rescue of Miss Muller, an American missionary, who was alone in the mission house in the Sherboro district when it was invaded by natives in rebellion against the Hut tax.

Terrible experiences are recounted. For three days there was bloodshed throughout the town, while the natives were engaged in the work of massacre and destruction. A boat's crew from a British warship reached the mission house just in time to rescue Miss Muller. A number of the natives, frightfully besmeared with the blood of earlier victims, had already surrounded the mission when the soldiers arrived.

Kansas City, Mo., May 18.—A special to the Star from Kingman, Kas., says:

A destructive tornado swept over the western part of this county last evening about 6 o'clock. The town of Cunningham was almost swept off the earth. The town was struck in the southeast corner. The cloud travelled in a northwesterly direction, demolishing the hotel, two livery barns, part of the Wichita and Western depot, and part of the business and residence portion of the town. There are only five houses left standing. The track of the storm was 200 yards wide and everything was swept clean. People saw the cloud about 20 minutes before it struck the town and rushed to their cellars.

Nobody was seriously injured, although a good deal of stock was killed. The cloud raised on the edge of town, jumped over a farm house and then struck the ground again.

The storm was preceded by a terrible rain and hail.

Cunningham is a small town on the Wichita and Western road, sixty miles west of Wichita.

Rockford, Ill., May 19.—Eleven people are known to be dead and two others are badly injured as the result of a destructive cyclone which swept over Ogle county last night. The storm came from the southwest and was from 300 to 400 feet wide. It leveled everything in its path, demolishing hundreds of farm houses and barns, killing much live stock.

The storm was severest at Stillman valley, where it wrecked fifteen buildings, two churches and a depot.

Great damage was also done at Adeline, many building being razed. The railroads have had many wash-outs. Telegraph and telephone wires were badly affected. The list of dead and injured so far as reported from this section is as follows:

Michael Nelson, Stillman valley, instantly killed, crushed in the ruins of his house.

Mrs. M. Nelson, Stillman valley, received injuries from which she died in an hour.

Julia Nelson, Stillman valley, 1-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, instantly killed.

Six months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, killed.

William Rees, Marlon township, farm employe, received injuries from which he died in a short time.

Thomas Mullens, Adeline, instantly killed.

Three children of Mr. and Mrs. John Mass, Foreston, killed outright.

Schuntler, Adeline, killed instantly.

Mrs. Frank Chichecher, instantly killed at Pawpaw.

The injured:

Nelson, Stillman valley, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson,

both legs broken and otherwise severely hurt, will probably die.

Mrs. A. J. Bly and baby, Stillman valley, both legs terribly injured, recovery doubtful.

G. S. Preston, Stillman valley, slightly injured.

Mrs. Zanks' young son, Stillman valley, slightly injured.

Peter Holquist, Stillman valley, E. Fisher, Stillman valley, badly hurt by flying missiles.

Mrs. John Mass, at Foreston, dangerously injured.

Family of Everett Ludwig, at Foreston, all injured.

Mrs. Eli Timmers, Foreston, severely injured.

Hired man of Eli Timmers, Foreston, badly hurt.

Many others were more or less injured.

Marshfield, Wis., May 19.—A very severe tornado passed through the central portion of the state last night. The storm passed through Clark and Landglade counties, levelling houses, farm buildings and fences. Farms suffered most.

Elmhurst reports ten fatalities. A Siegler and family of five are said to have perished. The messenger sent to Marathon City for aid states that buildings all over the city were levelled by the storm. A large church was blown from its foundation. A barn forty by eighty, belonging to a farmer, was picked up and landed clear across a forty-acre clearing.

Antigo, Wis., May 19.—The list of killed and injured in last night's tornado, as far as known, is as follows:

Agnatz Barr, killed.

Geo. C. Sheldon, fatally injured.

Dr. F. I. Drake, arm broken.

Mrs. Alexander McMillan, injured seriously.

Miss McMillan, back injured.

Mrs. Hiram Ward, arm broken.

Frank Billings, leg broken, amputation necessary.

Mrs. Frank Linski, injured internally.

A great number of others are reported slightly injured.

Chicago, May 19.—Conductor E. D. Carroll of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, who arrived in this city today after a run of over 150 miles through the storm center in Iowa and Illinois yesterday, says:

"The first report received of the death and disaster caused by this storm fail to give the full account of the havoc worked. When full reports are received I believe it will appear that yesterday's storm was one of the most destructive on record. At Elwood, a point half way between Marion and the Mississippi, the worst havoc was wrought. Several people were killed and the buildings of the town were swept from their foundations. At Delmar Junction I received news that four persons had been killed, at Briggs station report was brought of many buildings levelled and two persons killed; at Preston five were reported dead, and then the train crossed the Mississippi into Illinois.

"At Savannah, Ill., news was received of the killing of four persons at Teades Grove, the first station east of that city. Along the line of the C. M. & St. P. road from Savannah across the state were received reports of violent and destructive storms.

"The property loss by this storm cannot be fitly described," said Mr. Carroll. "At Stillman Valley we had the first view by daylight of the awful devastation wrought by the storm. A section of the village about forty rods in breadth was so completely razed that not a single piece of wood a yard