SAINTS IN THE SOUTH SEAS.

Interesting Letter From a Missionary in the Low Archipelago.

TEMANIS, AUAS, August 11, 1893.

Editor Deseret News:

Thinking a few lines from an almost unknown locality would be acceptable, I take pleasure in writing you regarding the work of God here. Three months since Brother C. J. Larsen and myself landed on the Tuamotu Islands, at the city of "Tauvaro," were kindly entertained there by "Mapahi" whose name has previously appeared in your columns as a charitable, open-hearted and God-fearing man. After an elapse of three weeks we were joined by Elders Jos. W. Damron, the present president, and Thomas Jones, who have been laboring among this Tuamotu group for upwards of ten months.

On July 2 we set sail for Fakarava, the island designated for this session of our quarterly conference. The sea being high and the rain continuous, our journey was anything but pleasant. Upon arriving at our destination, we found Brother William A. Seegmiller who has been laboring on the island of Tapai. He reports a good feeling among the Saints, besides eighty baptisms during the past year.

Conference commenced at Tetamanu July 6th. Elder Seegmiller called the Saints to order, and after the opening services President Damron spoke upon the subject of Moses not being permitted to lead the children of Israel into the Promised Land on account of disobedience, (Numbers, chapter xx) also the restoration of the Gospel in the last days. He closed by urging the people to serve God rather than Mammon.

The report for the past three months showed baptisms twenty five, marriages twelve, births four and deaths two.

After the acceptance of the report the choir sang, and Elder Seegmiller pronounced the benediction.

In the afternoon Elder Seegmiller addressed the congregation on the subject of circumcision; and the meeting was brought to a close by the choir singing "Hail to the Prophet," etc. Benediction by Elder Mapuhia.

On Friday morning, July 7th, conference was called to order by President Damron. And after the usual services Brother Thomas Jones addressed the congregation. He exhorted the Saints to live in obedience to those in authority, and reiterated some of ex-President Jas. S. Brown's instruction. Elder Damron followed him with a few remarks. The choir then sang and Elder Thomas L. Woodbury dismissed the meeting.

The afternoon session was called to order by Elder Jones and after singing and prayer, the Saints were addressed by Elders Damron, Seegmiller, Woodbury, Larsen and Jones. Some preliminary business followed and the conference was adjourned for three months to the island of Aua.

Monday, July 10th, Brothers Larsen and Jones set sail for Hunau, while the rest of us left for Auas. President Damron and I landed after a two days' voyage, leaving Brother Seegmiller on the vessel on his way to Takaroa. We were hospitably greeted by the whites upon our arrival, and partook of their hospitality a number of times afterwards. Among them was the French peace officer; he treated us with all the courtesy and kindness possible, stating that he would do all in his power to protect our rights. The inhabitants of this island are principally Catholics. Here is where the Gospel was first preached, the people receiving its everlasting truths and embracing the principles and ordinances with readiness and sincerity.

The success that attended our Elders soon awoke Satan; he flew to the rescue, putting it in men's hearts to circulate falsehoods concerning God's chosen servants. As a result, the government was deceived by the untruthful and evil intended reports. The officials listened to these falsehoods, and our Elders were forced to depart with no show of justice exercised in their behalf, thus leaving the branch seemingly without a head during their absence, which was about forty years. Wolves came into the flock, scattering it like chaff before the wind, and where we once had a membership of 1300, it has dwindled down to thirty. Still, by the aid of God we anticipate performing an extensive work among this people, although Satan is fighting us on every hand.

The Catholics have forbid their followers to come near us. The Josephites are doing all in their power to obtain our old broken down meeting houses, besides printing a tract misrepresenting us. Many falsehoods are thus published. The principal one is that we set up Joseph Smith, Brigham Young, Adam and others instead of God.

We have visited five out of the six cities on the island. Some have received and treated us as servants possessing authority from the Creator of all, while others have shunned our very presence. The Sunday meetings have been well attended, and many have expressed themselves as to the simplicity and clearness of our doctrine, each statement being supported and sustained by a scriptural reference. Others make light of what is spoken. There are some who attend every meeting, listening attentively to what is said, no doubt laying a foundation whereon they may erect a structure which will be of an everlasting benefit to them. Each night the house is filled with people, some eager to listen and others only curious. When we sing a hymn the latter class crowd in, but when the spiritual part is presented with they disappear into the darkness. No baptisms have been performed since our arrival, but prospects are favorable. Many have expressed their desire to join the Church and become numbered with the faithful.

Praying God to bless all who are striving to obtain truth, I remain your brother and co-laborer in the Gospel,

T. L. WOODBURY.

Agricultural [illegible] and Notes.

According to the Agricultural [illegible] wool growers in the United States are increasing the average weight of fleece on sheep. The average fleece weighs 5.5 pounds, an increase of about three-quarters pound. The range is from 2.5 pounds in North Carolina to 8 pounds in Wyoming.

The prospect is for an apple crop below an average again.

Important improvements are in progress at the New York state fair grounds, Syracuse.

A new forage plant is reported from Japan. It is said to grow fast and bear large leaves, making two crops in one year. This new plant is being tried in France, where it promises well.

A new enemy to the potato bug has been found in several counties in New York. It is about twice as long as the potato beetle, but has a slimmer body. It stings the potato beetle larvæ and soon destroys their life.

Estimates made by the Mark Lane Express of the English and French wheat crops indicate that both the United Kingdom and France will have to be much larger purchasers than usual of wheat.

Hay having been listed on the New York Stock Exchange, it may be speculated in now.

The South American trade requires immense implements in the way of steam plows, harvesters, etc.

A company has been formed in Cincinnati for the purpose of baling hay for shipment to France.

Can't Fare an English Sparrow.

A sparrow has built its nest and laid four eggs inside a gong at Isleworth railway station. The gong has a circumference of 21 inches, is sounded upward of 150 times every day, and when it is rung the alarm can be heard 600 yards away.—St. James Gazette.

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