

Sunday, the 5th the brethren spoke at our hall to the people and we had excellent meetings afternoon and evening.

Tuesday, the 7th we started at 7:30 a. m. for Bern, by steamer to Lausanne and rail to Bern. We spent a fine day together and visited several places of interest. Brotherr West quite poorly. Brother Brigham Young Jr. went with Brother Schettler up the Gross Munster I remained at the hall with Brother West, after which they visited the places of note in and about the town.

On the afternoon of the 8th took train for Thun and met Elder J. T. Gerber and put up at Hotel Baumgarten. At 7:30 we met about sixty of the Saints and had an excellent time together. Mr. Carl Bishoff kindly offered his hall for our assembly, and he being an influential man who stands for people's rights, dares do what others would not. C. W. West spoke over an hour, P. A. Schettler translating. Brigham Young Jr. spoke a short time, after which I occupied a few moments, when we ordained Brother Jacob Muller, an Elder, C. W. West being mouth. Brother West continuing very poorly in health we go with him to places most visited by travelers, invalids, etc., in hopes that the change of climate will do him good. I see, however, he is getting more and more in haste to be on his way. We visited Interlachen, Brienz and Lucerne. When we reached the latter place all were tired and decided to let those climb the Rigi that wished while we rested and enjoyed the scenery from the Sutzerhoff.

On the 10th we reached Zurich and were met at the station by Elder Carl Schram and put up at Hotel Baur. In the evening we met fifty of the Saints. Brothers West, Young and Schettler addressed them, all expressing their satisfaction at the good spirit prevailing. Brother West said he was glad he had visited them and pleased to learn that they had Elders among them who could teach them correct principles in their own language, and exhorted them to follow their counsels and blessed them in the name of the Lord.

Saturday, the 11th, we accompanied Brothers West and Young, to the station, when they took train for Hamburg, Brother P. A. Schettler accompanying them to that place on their way, to visit the Scandinavian mission. At 6 a. m. I stood alone pondering upon the scenes that had passed since leaving Geneva and can only pray Father to bless and prosper them with every good.

Sunday, the 12th, met a full house of Saints for an hour and a half and spoke with great freedom. In the afternoon the house filled to overflowing, over seventy being present, I spoke an hour with great freedom and thank the Lord heartily for all our blessings, and feel that He has truly given us of His good spirit in abundance. I visited several small branches in and around Zurich and took train for Geneva on the 15th, where I arrived in the evening and found the table piled up with letters and papers.

On the 16th I attended a meeting of the Saints and spoke to them occupying the most of the evening. All felt well and greatly blessed. While I find much to do in answering enquiries, etc., as well as teaching the Saints at about four meetings per week with our room full, I feel it impossible to do all that I

would like. I have a severe cold, and my lungs are very sore and cough severe, with bleeding at the lungs, so that I find myself unable to do much. O, My Father, I pray Thee to heal me up and make me sound that I may continue my labors among the people. By letter from J. Huber, New York, I learn the Saints arrived after having a forty-seven days passage all feeling well.

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SIXTEENTH WARD.

SALT LAKE CITY,
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Three grand nights, never to be forgotten by the Latter-day Saints of the Sixteenth ward, the first occasion being at the grand feast prepared by the good sisters of the Relief Society under the direction of the Bishopric of the ward, when some three hundred worthy people sat down to eat of the good things of the earth. There were over fifty worthy widows, the aged and infirm fathers and mothers who had borne the heat and burden of the day. They looked really happy set down to the tables spread so bountifully for them. Bishop Kesler pronounced the blessing on the food, after which all did justice. Remarks were made by Elders Angus M. Cannon, Joseph E. Taylor, W. B. Preston, R. Burton and John R. Winder. The Saints were encouraged to be faithful and so live to secure the blessing of God. In the evening a reunion of the saints generally met and dancing was the order of the evening.

The second occasion was the grand rally for the children on Saturday. Oh! what a beautiful sight! Some 700 children met and danced in the large new hall, their dear little faces lit up by the joy of their hearts as they swung around the ball in their merry dance.

The third occasion, and really the grandest of all, was the marching in line of 446 Sunday school children from the Sixteenth ward assembly hall to the new home of our worthy Bishop, the occasion being the 79th anniversary of his birth. All shook hands and to hear the wee little voices sing: "Many happy returns of your birthday. May you live long and may the Lord bless you." The Theological class sang Praise God and withdrew, full of love and gratitude to God for His blessings to us, and 446 shook hands. The Bishop in a few appropriate remarks asked the blessings of God on those present and bespoke for them a long and happy life, counseling them to be obedient to their parents.

Sunday evening special services were held when a tribute of respect was read by Sister Roundy, after which a great many of the brethren bore testimony to the great sterling value of such a man to preside over the Sixteenth ward as Bishop Kesler, who has presided over the ward as Bishop for thirty-nine years. After meeting a pleasant time was spent at the home of our Bishop, singing and speaking, after which a presentation was made by the people of the ward.

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Halley (Idaho) Times. A carload of mixed lots and one of Red Elephant ore, were shipped from this place Friday.

THE CHURCH CASES.

On this the second day of the January term of the Territorial Supreme Court all the judges were in their places on the bench when the session opened at 10 o'clock, namely, Chief Justice Merritt, Associate Justices Barich, Smith and King. Clerk Bache read the minutes of Monday last, which were now approved and signed.

Clerk Joseph P. Bache, who on October 6th, 1894, was appointed by this court as special master to take testimony in the matter of the petition of Attorney Arthur Brown, asking for compensation in the sum of \$1,000 for legal services rendered to the late receiver of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Frank H. Dyer, now deceased) presented his report thereon this morning.

The special master found, and so gave his opinion, that the services referred to "were rendered by the petitioner to the late receiver, as such receiver, and not to him in his personal matters." The testimony further showed, he stated, that these services were worth \$1,000.

District Attorney Judd, as representing the United States, and Attorney F. S. Richards, representing the late corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Receiver John R. Winder, now put in a type-written protest, objecting to the court taking any action upon the report of Special master Bache under the petition of Mr. Brown, filed May 14, 1894, or under the order of this court made upon petition at the June term, 1894, for the following reasons: 1st. That the said petition is a proceeding unknown to the forms of law and to the practice of this court. 2nd. That said petition shows upon its face that this court, at a former term, after a hearing upon the matters set up in the petition, denied any relief to the petitioner, by an order made and entered in this court to that effect, which order still remains in full force and effect. 3rd. That the parties interested in contesting the matter set up in said petition were not made parties to the same, and have not been served by the petitioner with a copy of the petition or with any copy of the order of the court made thereon, and they have had no opportunity to make any defense to the matters set up in said petition.

Attorney Brown conducted his own case and set forth in substance the facts contained in his original petition. He stated that the services were rendered to the late receiver (Frank H. Dyer) in the latter's official capacity; that the petition was subsequently presented to the Supreme Court, with Judge Zane as chief justice, and denied by an order made and entered after the court had adjourned. Petitioner also insisted that Judge Zane's order in the matter was null and void, inasmuch as prior to going upon the bench he had been engaged in the Church cases.

At Monday's session of court it was stated that the sum of \$2,295.25 in excess of the amount (\$1,000) which Receiver Winder was previously authorized to expend upon repairs to the Guard House had been laid out by him. The report of the receiver was presented to their honors and referred,