## Correspondence.

SIHLHALLE, AUSSERSIEL, FIURIAH, SWITZERLAND, Aug. 11, 1869

President Brigham Young: - Dear Brother .- After the elapse of more than a year I deem it my duty to once again has in store for Zion. formed from time to time, by Brother ables me to ride, with the help of the Heber, of affairs in this mission. Spirit of God, over.all vicissitudes.

bountiful blessings and powerful assist-ance which has been manifested at every point of our labors during the past, and which promise fair to con-tinue with us also in the future if we and increasing prayers to you. rely on Him who has guided and protected His servants always in the discharge of their duties.

Before me is the semi-annual report from January 1st to July 1st, which Brother Heber has compiled for President Carrington, from which it appears that during the first six months of the KEITH BROTHERS, in this mission, making, with the num-bar of the previous half year, a total of 225 persons baptized in tweive months, to which have to be added about thirty persons more that have been baptized since July 1st up to this date. The greatest number of this increase belong as to the Canton of Bern, where formerly the persecutions of the elders were the most violent. This seems to have been caused, especially, through the course of the ministers of the State church, who have split into two parties, one upholding rigorously the letter of the or-thodox doctrines and wanting to dictate MILLINERY and STRAW GOODS, t) the people what they shall believe or not, and the other party, the so-called "Reformers," preach openly from the pulpits that Jesus is not the Sou of God, but was merely a great philosopher and philanthropist; and thus both parties run down one another, and, in consequence thereof, the gospel of the latter days is sought and investigated by many now who, a few days ago, would UMBRELLAS. have treated the mere imputation of it with disdain. Last Tuesday there were baptized, for instance, ten persons in a ingle Saint to be seventeen, with pros-branch numbers seventeen, with pros-pects of many more, and their meetings twice a week are crowded to excess. This is equally true of the city of Bern Tissues, CRAPES, Ac., PATTERN BONNETS, de., PATTERN BONNETS, de.,







to you by the time you get this letter, and I, therefore, have only to state my regret that their increasing bodily in-disposition has deprived us of so true give it a trial.; companions and this mission of so faithful ministers of salvation; their labors will be long remembered here, and may EXTRA LARD OIL the God of Israel restore them again to that health which, by fatigue and unavoidable privations, has been so seriously impaired.

Brother Heber is a great comfort and help to me, as he is not only Secretary of the mission and President of the Eastern Conference, but also my counselor and assistant in all my mission affairs, in all of which callings he is acting with an earnestness and zeal that make him an almost indispensable fac-tor in our operations. Bro. Lewis M. Grant is presiding now in Bern Confer-ence, where he is fast conquering, like JOHNV.FARWELL&CO in his former field of labor, the hearts of all the Saints by his winning kind-ness and efficient ministerial labors, talking a great deal of German and preaching in that language several nights a week to crowded audiences. Brother Henry Snell has arrived here and is just now studying German at St. Imier until the emigration shall be off, when he will be appointed for a certain field of labor; he appears to be deter-mined to magnify his calling and longs to be able to preach and track Better to be able to preach and teach. Brothers Christian Willi and Theodore Braendii, the two native elders, the former in the Jura district, the latter in Bern Confer-euce, are doing the most preaching to the strangers, and are therefore a very powerful support to me in that part of my ministerial labors.

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