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Tast Kentucky: G. F. Ellsworth, president, box 442, Lexuiguon—Two haptisms were performed at Barbour-ville on May 23rd by Elders J. E. Knudsen and R. L. Cook. These el-ders had the privilege of explaining the principles of the gospel to a large the cremony. Elder G. F. Ells-worth, while canvassing in Lexington, minister admitted that he knew not ing about the book he was trying to defame. On Sunday, May 16, Elders J. B. Cogreen and B. F. Cow-ey visited a secturian Sunday school and at the invitation of the class ind at the invitation of the class inder, explained the gospel to the school. During the past two weeks, Elders Martin Anderson and Orson P.

Atlanta: O. W. Hyde, president, 29 Connally St. Ga.—Elders J. H. Hun-ter and Leonard Ball, while carvass-ing the town of Ellijay, met a Baptist minister who fnyited them to his home minister who invited them to his home and requested them to hold a meeting The minister invited his neighbors and friends to attend and a good meeting was held, after which the minister with one of his friends and the two clders discussed the first principles of the gospel until a late hour. The next morning, the elders left him r Book of Mormon and a Cowley's Talks on Doctrine,

Virginia: H. A. Shupe, president, box 46, Lynchburg, Va.—Two persons were baptised in Halifax county, by Elder W. H. Shumons, Elders W. E. Shumway and W. L. Shelley report Elder W. H. Simmons, Elders W. E. Shumway and W. L. Shelley report having much success in Page county. On Sunday, May 16, they attended the baptismal service of a divine heal-er. At the close of the service, one of the men in charge announced that the elders would hold meeting that night at the home_of_one of their members. About 75 persons attended the meeting that evening, and at the close of the service, the elders were invited to hold another meeting the following evening in the village school-house. When the time came for the meeting, there were about 100 persons assembled all of whom listened with much interest to the discourses upon the principles of the gospel. . . . Sister Elesha J. Wood died at her home in Lynchburg on May 21. The funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church on May 23, by Elders H. A. Shupe and R. B. Major. About 300 people assembled to pay respect to the discourses of the elders upon the subject of the resurrection. upon the subject of the resurrection

Middle Tennessee: I. H. Esplin, president, box 269, Memphis, Tenn.-Elders I. H. Esplin and Wm. Perkins visited the branch at Tengue, and Visited the branch ac tagge, and baptized one person. They found the seints very enthusiastic and the Sunday school in good running order. At Arrington, Williamson county, a Sunday school has been organized by Elders Wm. D. Harris and B. A. Johnson, and a splendid work is be-ing accomplished in that section. . . . Elders J. L. Bushman and Evans



making it very difficult to gain ac-cess to the settlement. The bad roads and the small number of saints living worth, and prospects for the future are in that vicinity were the reasons for some of the saints objecting to the convery bright, . . . A splendid branch conference was held at Sebree, Webster 'o. A number of meetings were held nd all present enjoyed a spiritual feast Elder Asa C. Bagley has been very sick with the chills during the past week but through the blessings of the Lor is now speedily regaining his health.

Georgia: L. L. Myers, president. 454 Oak St., Macon-Elders A, E. Mortensen and E. L. Allen met with success at their regular monthly meeting in Skipperton, where they baptized one person. One person was also united to the fold in Harris county by Elders A. A. Savage and E. C. Walker. At the close of their regular monthly meet-ing in Pottersville, Elders F. A. Laquestion, trying to discourage the gath eriog, and if failing in this, to per-suade their followers from attending mont and J. C. Healey haptized one should the gathering take place. person. A large crowd of strangers gathered to witness the ceremony and offset this the elders and saints, all over the mission, were praying and to hear the principles of the gospel exworking for the conference to convene Prests, Hardy and Bowles, together with 25 elders and nearly 100 native saints, landed at Walpiro Thursday

Mississippi: D. W. Stowell, presl-dent, 511 Mississippi St., Jackson-Dur-ing the past two weeks, two baptisms ing the past two weeks, two super-have been performed in the Mississipp conference. Companies "A" and "B" conference. Companies "A" and "B" are both doing excellent work, and are meeting with much success in holding On May 25, Elder Roy meetings. Oler was honorably released to return to his home. . . . Elder Osmond Call of Chesterfield, Ida., arrived in the Elder Osmond Call conference on May 26.

J. ELMER JOHNSON, Mission Secretary.



San Francisco, June 10 .-- Approximate ly 200 people were present at the Lat-ter-day Saints meeting held in the Man-zaneta hall of the Jefferson Square building, Sunday evening, May 31; the occasion being an illustrated speaking and song service. President Jacob Magleby of the San

Francisco conference, spoke feelingly on various gospel truths: which were in turn illustrated by songs rendered by Elder Alvin Keddington, assisted, in several numbers, by Brother William Thompson and the Misses Lillian and Araelia Hooper Amelia Hooper.

waiting to be admitted. Soon we were welcomed by a chorus of voices shout-ing, "Haere mai! haere mai! haere The strangers present eagerly came The strangers present eagerly came forward to grasp the hands of those who had taken part and to express their appreciation of the sublime and beautiful thoughts set forth; and many new friends were made, among the number a retired Presbyterian minister who made this declaration, "That comes nearer to being nuce religion mai!" and we entered the village, al-though the reception was cold and for-mal. That evening, when we met in comes nearer to being pure religion than anything I have yet experienced," and, consequently, he invited the elders to visit him. Sr. Hansen of Oakland, contributed largely to the success of the vening through her splendid piano accompaniment. Prest. Magleby and the artists named above will hold a like service in Oak-land, Sunday, June 6; and in San Jose, liked. June 13. Elders Jos. D. Harris of Tremonton Bear River stake, Utah, and William Harper of Murray, Utah, arrived in San Francisco May 28, ready to begin missionary work in California. They were both assigned to labor in Oak land. The San Francisco elders were fa vored with a several days' visit from Elder J. B. Seely, just returning from a four years' mission to Japan. ders were the guests to dinner Sunday May 30 of Brother Joseph J. Canno of Salt Lake, who is in San Francisco on business. The saints and elders of Oakland and



MISSIONARIES OF DENVER CONFERENCE, WESTERN STATES MISSION.

Back row, numbering from left to right-Geo. H. Watts, Hyrum M. Cordon, Wm. J. Tanner, C. H. Mc-Murray, Erban Green. E. J. Thomas, Chas. H. Keele, H. C. Russell, Jno. P. Ellison, W. H. Wilcox, Jos. H. Cartright, J. C. Russell. Front row, from left to right-A. Williams, Jos. E. May, Violet McClure, Pres. John L. Herrick, Fanny Rowland, H. W. Perry, Jno. Robinson

and the people are awaking to the fact that we have been persecuted without cause

Elder Charles M. Bolton, leader of ference being held there, but the Church one of the little companies in St. John of England had very different reasons conference Kan tells of the kind treatfor annoyance. The better class of natives take to ment they received at Valley Center. Some of them were kept during their the gospel very readily and on several occasions whole tribes have joined the Church, therefore the English church Some of them were kept during then stay by citizens, and money was given them to help pay their hotel bill, on which the proprietor give them a lib-eral reduction. Elder Bolton says they held eight open-air meetings during the week, some of them being continued beyond the usual time at the request of their bearers. He says they are felt some apprehension for their fol-lowers and resented the idea of the Latter-day Saints holding conference in their midst. Almost every possible means was employed to prevent us. The native official organ of the English of their hearers. He says they are having a good time and all the elders persuasion, Le Pipiwharauroa, devoted

are becoming good preachers. President Charles E. Bronson and El-der Loren J. Robinson, Jr., of the same conference, are reaping the harvest of seeds sown by the elders two months ago at Hazeton. They have baptized two fine young men and others are preparing to follow. The elders are now holding meetings there for an

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indefinite time. Elder Alma Williams has been teach-Eider Aima withinks has been teach-ing school for the colony of saints near Marlow, Okla., as an evidence of their appreciation of his efficient labors, they made arrangements to give him a sur-prise and have a good time, consequently at the close of the school on the 28th inst, the people went to the schoolhouse loaded with baskets of picnic and took possession of all things of which the school was composed and they enjoyed a merry afternoon. In the evening the school gave an entertainment at which speeches, recitations, songs, dialogues, etc., were rendered to the number of 40. The house was much too small to hold all who attended, so many had to stand at the open doors and windows outside. All pronounced it the best they had attended in that district. Elder Williams has joined the other elders in their work. Besides the two baptisms mentioned

agove, we are pleased to report the fol-lowing: One in East Kansas by Elder Hober P. Brockbank, two in Missouri conference by Elder Joseph E. Mc-Kean, and five in South Texas by Elder

Wilmer A. Lougy, Elder Marion W. Montierth, who has been a faithful missionary in St. John Hiruharama was reached about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, where we stopped on the border of the village conference for two years, has been re leased on account of the serious ill-ness of his father at Thatcher, Ariz. Elders John C. Olsen and J. William Johnson have also returned home Jonnson have also returned none, with honorable releases from North Texas, where they completed long terms of successful missionary work. Six new elders have come to this mission and have been assigned as fol-

elders. Monday the party returned after a very enjoyable trip. JOHN ROBINSON, Mission Secretary.

THE GOSPEL OF PERSONAL PURITY

On Sunday, June 6, in the meeting-On Sunday, June 6, in the meeting-house at Marriott, Weber Co., Thomas E. Browning, chief of police of Ogden, delivered to the young people of that ward, a very strong address, filled with splendid advice; the material for which he had collected from sev-eral years' experience at the head of the Ogden police denartment Harbert the Ogden police department. Hagbert Anderson accompanied Chief Brown-ing and rendered two solos. Presi-dent C. F. Middleton made a few re-Presimarks. Chief Browning spoke as follows

easily fall. "My Young Brethren and Sisters-"Young men arrested and placed in jail at times tell us of their diseases inherited from their parents, because of

"My Young Brethren and Sisters-Before speaking to you in the way of advice I wish to tell a little experience I had some time ago. "In passing through New York state I stopped off at Rochester and took a trolley car, that runs between there and Syracuse, and visited the city of Delmyre which is half troop between their immoral lives. Nothing is more deplorable than this. If the doctrine of the Mormon Church is lived up to, such "Now, to you, young men, I wish to say: Keep the Word of Wisdom. Re-frain from the use of tobacco and es-pecially cigaretter. This will be a Palmyra, which is half way between those two cities. I was informed that a banker named Sexton owned the "Hill of Cumorah' and I, at once, look-ed him up. I found him at his desk in his bank. He was a man of 75 years great factor in keeping you in the prop-er spirit and in better condition to com-bat evil habits and you will have greatand very courteous in his manner. While at his bank, he showed me the er chances of success. I have recently which is in loose form. He told me that an old printer by the name of observed peculiar incidents. I find young men who have been on missions and seem to be in full belief, in fact Grandpa Grandin, willed it to him on his death bed. He printed the Book of Mormon while yet a very young man and lived to nearly a 100 years of age. Mr. Sexton in showing me some of them are now holding positions in the Church, who take up their former associates, who are non-Mormons who are leading undesirable lives by drinking and carousing. It is an alarm of age. Mr. Sexton in showing me the leaves handled them with a knife, so that they would not become solled. We left the bank and he pointed out ing condition to me to behold such in-difference, when they should be at their homes with their wives and ba-We left the bank and he pointed out the building (which he owned) where the Book of Mormon was printed and in fact, there is still a small newspa-per printed there. He seemed to take a great deal of interest in talking to a man from Utah. He told me, that he sold the farm where the 'Hill of Cumorah' is situated, to Admiral Sampson, who bought it for his bro-ther leaving a balance due thereon. bies. and will do the bidding of evil-minded persons by indulging in excessive drink ing, disgracing themselves and their people. They will indulge in all sorts of profane languages, caring little to what length they may go. I have talk-ed to them considerably. They seem to be ashamed of their actions and Sampson, who bought it for his bro-ther, leaving a balance due thereon. After the admiral's death it reverted back to Mr. Sexton. Sampson was born and raised in Palmyra. Mr. Sex-ton seemed to have full faith that Jo-seph Smith found the plates spoken of, on the 'Hill of Cumorah.' He very kindly told me what road to take to reach the hill. The beautiful site, in the month of May is beyond descrip-tion. promise to refrain from their former bad company, yet they will fall again and again. You will observe that I have spoken plainly because of the fact that I feel that I would be derelict in my duty towards parents and their children if I had failed to sound notes of alarm.

a building, you take your shoes off and keep your hat on. On the treshold to will find the shoes, while some lade will find the shoes, while some lade who have fancy slippers will place the in the recesses of the windows as me-place their hats in the meetinghouses at home where there are no hat racks. Our members follow both oriental and Ea-ropean customs as they take of bols their shoes and fezes (the red Turkis-head covering). In the house there are no tables or chairs, all the people sitting tailor fashion, but in our meet-inghouse we have introduced buch but when there is a large attendance some will sit on the carpet. Most the men dress in a garment something like a lady's wrapper, with an extremel heavy sush around the waist, thoug some few wear clothing of European stype.

style. No peachbasks: mats are worn by the hadles in Asia Minor, as the general dress is a garment that covers the per-son from the forehead to the fore and is drawn in in the center, made ga-erally of white cotion or black sitk The members of the Church nike for of the Armenians, are quite a brigh people, well acquainted with the Bbla willing and ready at any time to discan the principles of the gospel with any-one, ministers of other beliefs preferred, and able to hold their own in an argu-ment.

ment. The Armenians are taught theological doctrines from earliest childhood, and I recollect speaking to a little bol about 3 years old who was taught is act with the mannerisms of a preacher and to use his hands in emphasizing First, faith; second, repentance; the baptism by immersion by one havin authority for the remission of sins, etc. and his parents called him the preach er. He was a little bashful and di not like to speak before me, so I gav him a small coin, about one-fifth of a cent, to encourage him. He said his

him a small coin, about one-fifth of a cent, to encourage him. He said hi piece, but afterward came back with the coin, as he said it was not right to preach for money. As stated, all the members of th Church in Turkey are Armenians by race. We have branches here at Ale-po, at Aintab, at Marash and at Zara with some members scattered in di-ferent cities. Travel is slow, mosily by horse or by carriage, and you could travel in a shorter time from Sait Law the Mediterranean to those on the Black sea side of Turkey in the wint the gospel. The good spirit that pre-vailed among them could be felt at valled among them could be felt at every hand. I attended a testimony meeting and the good counsel those young missionaries gave to the people, was marvelous. About a year later they returned home and one of them took up with his former associates and now can be found in barrooms mingling with the evil. This certainly is a painful sight. I can readily see how this occurs. After making one false step, after having lost the true spirit, they Black sea side of Turkey in the winter seem to go adrift, wandering in the dark path. They become fault finders, become dissatisfied with the leaders of ime, when the mass of mountains be tween them is snowbound. the Church, and finally give up all ideas of doing good. I can see the danger,

tween them is snowbound. The members of the Church must be suffering at the present time from id-trouble between the Turks and the An-menians, and although our member are not apt to be mixed up in the mat-ter, times will be apt to be hand through non-employment and at th best wages are only enough to furnied food to hold soul and body together. The only branch of the Church tha was in any way in the trouble zone is the small one at Marash. Our elder are all safe I hear and there was no the small one at Marasn. Our elder are all safe I hear and there was no particular danger to them at any time unless they took some part in the troubles. The last I heard from President Booth was on April 21 when he thought all the troubles would soot

BAPTISMS IN ENGLAND,

settle down.

A baptismal service was held at "Des-eret," South Tottenhalm, London, May 22, when two converts received the or-dinance of baptism, one at the hand of Elder Owen F. Beal, and the other at the hands of Elder Harold L Smith. On May 16 one more member was added to the Church by baptism in the Northampton branch (Birmingham conference). The ordinance was performed by Elder Charles D. Brown at 33 Riley Road, Brighton. Eight members were added to the

Church by baptism on Sunday, May 2, in Sheffleld (Sheffleld conference), the ordinance being performed by Elden Alvin Robinson and Leffel A. Bean Confirmations took place in the Sundaj school.

Baptismal services were held at the Helling Baths, Bath. (Bristol conference), on Saturday, May 22, when two converts were baptized by Elder J. H. Bowden, and on Monday, the 24th two by Elder D. A. Evans, and one by Elder James A. Rowsell. The

recipients of the sacred ordinance were confirmed at the water's edge. A baptismal service was held at Liv-ingstone Street Baths, Birkenhead (Liverpool conference), on Wednesday evening, May 19, when three converts were baptized by Elders Ralph H. Lud-law and William A. Morton Two d ow and William A. Morton. Two the candidates were from Liverpool the from Bootle .- Millennial Star, other May 27.

in McNairy county, write: "We have been well treated wherever we have stopped and certainly commend the good people of this county for their hospitality and fair-mind-edness."..., Our force has been strengthened by the arrival of Elder Andrew L. Jones

Ohio: Paul E. Nelson, president, box 41, Sta. D., Columbus-While canvassing in Painesville, the elders met the cx-mayor of the city, who said ho was pleased to have the opportunity of purchasing a copy of the Book of Mormon, He also purchased two other doctrinal books and subscribed for th "Liahona, the Elders' Journal." elders of company "B" called The elders of company "B" called on the mayor of Coshocton and he was also willingly granted them permission to hold street meetings. The elders are having splendid success in working among the business men of that city. Elder James A. Wadsworth Panaca, Nev., joined our ranks on May

Alabama: H. A. Gardner, president, box 705, Montgomery, Ala,-One bap-tism was performed at Phoenix City. May 16. A very successful street meet ing was held at Reanoke on May 2 by the elders of company "A." The farmers for miles around had gathered to the city on that day, and the citers had a congregation of over 200 peop who listened with interest to their remarks, Elders Lawrence C. Stones and Edwin J. Ford joined our ranks on May 18,

Florida:, J. W. Blazzard, president, 324 Claude St., Jacksonville, Fla.-Elders Thaddeus Walker and S. A. Win ters attended a Baptist meeting a Hatch's Bend. The pastor addressed a large congregation upon the subject "What Shall We Do to Be Saved?" At the close of the service, the people gath ered around the elders and asked then to hold a meeting that night and speak upon the same subject. At the time ap pointed, the house was filled with ear nest listeners, the pastor being among them; and at the close of the meeting, he as well as the members of his congregation, expressed much interest in what they had learned.

East Tennessee: W. H. Larson, president, box 688, Knoxville-Elders C. B. Layton and C. R. Sampson organ-ized a Sunday school at Oak Hill or May 9 with an enrollment of 22 mem bers. A Primary department was pro-vided for the little ones. Brother Jo soph W. Foster was appointed and sustained as superintendent. During the week ending May 30, three baptisms were performed, and many successfu meetings are being held in districts that previous to this time have been closed to the elders.

North Carolina: Robert Andrus, esident, box 154, Kinston-Elders Robert J. Bradshaw and Emil Chatelain organized a Sunday school in Wake county, with Brother Frank McCotton as superintendent. During the week these brethren also performed two bap-tisms. Though the elders were not granted permission to hold street meetings in Rocky Mountain, many of the citizens have asked them to hold meet ings in their homes; and the busines are manifesting a spirit of friend liness and many of them are purchas ing copies of the Book of Mormon.

Kentucky: Thos. E. Secrist, presi-ent, box 554, Louisville-During the two weeks ending May 27, four persons

San Francisco enjoyêd a picnic on Dec oration day at Trestle Glen, Oakland In the evening all united in a dance at San Francisco

LEROY M. MORRIS, 1443 Baker street, San Francisco.



Los Angeles, Cal., June 10-Presiident Joseph E. Robinson returned from a frip to the northern part of the state. His special visit was to Gridey, at which place he re-organized the branch. The following is a list of the new officers: George W. Tolley, branch president, with Albert Taylor and George M. Larson counselors, and George W. Miller, clerk. Relief Society Minerva Cameron, president; Emily Dewsnup counselor, and Philis Tolley secretary: Sunday school, Frank Dew snup, superintendent, Alfred Bramwell, and George M. Miller, assistants, Jean S. Miller, secretary and treasurer. Wm. Catmel, chorister, and Lillian Farr or-ganist. Elder Jacob Magleby, presi-dent of the San Francisco conference, accompanied Prest. Robinson on this trip and also to San Jose, to which latter place Elder Alvin Keddington also accompanied him. Elder Ked-dington is the songster of the mission

and whom we all love to hear. Last Friday evening, the elders la-boring at Los Angeles, together with President Robinson, spent the evening t the home of Prest, Wm. W. Burton f the Star Valley stake, who has spen he winter in southern California, and left the following morning for Ogden with him. The evening was spent very pleasantly, and the association with them and their kindness to the elder during their sojourn here, will long be remembered.

Sunday morning, May 30, three mor ouls were added unto the fold. Mrs. Gertrude Marshall Chandler and her two daughters, Gertrude Merie and Doris Irene. Elder Joseph W. Vickers officiated in the ordinance which was performed at Bimini Baths, During May one other baptism was performed here at Los Angeles, and two at San Bernardino, all of which is encourag-ing as results of our labors, and pleas-ing because other souls are brought to rejoice in the Gospel

R. F. BURTON, Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND MISSION NEWS.

One of the most interesting confernces ever held with the native ences ever held with the native people in New Zealand was concluded Sunday

the whereput to bear the decision of the village, we were informed that we could remain until morning and then must return as we came. To some this news would have been discouraging in-deed, but to us it was not so. We re-tired for the evening with a light heart, relying on the Lord to soften the hearts of the people With the morning came better news. We were informed that

was a feeling of disappointment and re-sentment manifested not only by some

of the saints, but also by the inhabit-ants of the Waiapu district. Hiruhari-ma (Jerusalem) lies about 12 miles in-

land from Waipiro and is right in the

center of one of the strongholds of the Church of England. The surrounding country is rough and mountainous, thus

evening, April 1, We were very hospit-ably received and lavishly entertained in good old Maori fashion. During the

evening horsemen and telegrams ar rived from Hiruharama stating that the people there did not want us and if

we proceeded we would not be allowed to enter the village. This news did not dishearten us. The Maori saints

gloried in being persecuted and were bound stronger together in faith and love. To observe the faith and unity

conveyed by means of horses and carts.

but many had to resort to the primitive mode of locomotion; so with staff in hand, we set out cheerfully notwith-

standing the fact that 21 streams had to be crossed before we could again call

how the streams were gotten over by tender-footed elders, but will leave this

to the imagination of the reader.

halt.

We will not stop to describe

last night's decision had been Altered and we could remain as long as we Sunday morning the conference

opened and three spirited meetings wert held, the last one continuing into the night. The elders and native brethern who addressed the meetings vere filled with the Spirit of God and their discourses and testimonies were listened to with rapt attention. The Maoris of the locality, numbering nearly two hundred, were completely chang-ed. They apologized for the cold and indifferent manner in which they had treated us and begged us to remain with them another day. This, how ever, was impossible as we had to leave in order to catch the boat. We left the people feeling well towards us. They wished us rodspeed and left their blessings with us. entreating is to meet with them on some future

Although there was but one baptism arcomplished cannot be estimat-ed. The elders are now welcome at Hiruharma and great results may be expected in that locality. The news of the opposition encountered has spread all over the island and has done more to unite the saints and fill them with the desire to live the gospel than anything else could have possibly done

During the last two years great strides have been made in New Zea-land and the work of the Lord is progressing through the entire mis sion. The saints are living the gos-pel better than ever before, because they are understanding it better, and ts beauties appeal to them more th longer they are actively engaged in it. The erecting of the mission head-quarters and chapel in Auckland and the work in connection with the Church farm in Hawkes Bay have done much to spread the gospel. Com-ments have appeared in nearly every newspaper in the Dominion, creating nterest and wonderment. Whereve one travels he meets many who are anxious to hear what the "Mormons" are doing and in many cases sincere investigators have been made through their desire to hear from the elder, what the aims and ideals of Mormon

sm really are. With the release of President Hardy comes a feeling of sadness. Whil ve rejoice with him because he ha While faithfully filled his mission and finish-ed that which he was called here to do ve regret being separated from him is both he and Sister Hardy have planted themselves deep in the hearts of the elders and saints. But while we feel thus loth to part with President Hardy we heartily welcome President Bowles and family who ar ived March 29, to assume control f the mission.

CENTRAL STATES

MISSION ACTIVITIES

302 South Pleasant St., Independence Mo., June 10.-Letters and reports from the elders show the work of the entire mission to be progressing in the same satisfactory way as has been reported before. In them one fact is made very prominent-that prejudice is fast giving way and the verity of Mormon-ism is being established. The mobbings and abuse which were common experi-

ow: Elder William M. Cazier, to Okla homa; Elders William Cooper and Benj. H. Roberts, to Missouri, and Elders William A. Mackey, Elljah B. Gregory and Charl Charles Hatch, to North Texas

CENTRAL STATES MISSION B. F. L. B.

WESTERN STATES

Denver, Colo., June 10 .- The elders of the Denver conference are meeting with good success and the prospects wernever brighter. Many of the people are manifesting a spirit that has no been the pleasure of former elders to enjoy. Invitations are being extended to the elders for them to return and the many friends are opening their nomes for the holding of cottage meet ngs, and as a whole we are not having the opposition to meet that we had a few years ago.

Just recently baptismal services were the Broadway sanitarium held at where eight new members affiliated hemselves with the Church. Just prior o the applicants being led down the water two hymns were sung and prayer was offered. Quite a large num ber were present to witness the cere monis who spoke of the services as be ing very impressive, especially was this true of the keeper of the sanitarium who invited us to return whenever we may have similar work to perform. We feel that this will not be long as there are seven others who have applied fo aptism, but are being detained on account of sickness.

An organization of the Mutual Improvement association has just been effected in the Denver branch and the ocal saints and friends have entere the work with a determination to make We feel sure that as soo it a success. as people realize and can see the fects of this association there will b many others who will join with us in our efforts for self-development.

A party consisting of President John L. Herrick, wife, and their daughter and two sons, Miss Lillian Packard, Elder Abednego Williams and myself left Denver Saturday morning and ar rived at Colorado City where arrange nents had been made by Elders A. J. Draper and Dan E. Davis who ar laboring in that place, for the hold ing of a musical entertainment. Elder Joseph F. Neilson and L. O. Bingham of Pueblo also arrived in Colorado City in time to share the bounteous midda; repast that had been prepared by the friends who bade us a hearty welcome. In the afternoon the visitors took ca Manitou where visits were made to many points of interest as time as many points would permit, and in the evening ; large crowd assembled at the home o Mrs. Pearl Pond where a program Mrs. principally of excellent musical num-bers was rendered. After the program we took the train for Pueblo, where arrived about 11 p. m., feeling jubilant

with the day's experience. Sunday we found that Elders F. W Wood, president of the Pueblo branch and Thomas Wells had everything i readiness for a pleasant day at that city. We attended a good Sunday school and afternoon services at the church. In the evening a large congre-gation assembled which gave evidence of the work that is being done and the interest that is being taken in that part. Most of the time at the evening services was taken up with musical numbers and judging from the attention paid and the expressions made the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all. President Herrick gave a short

tion "My son, Dow, and myself went four miles as directed and found a grand picture. "The 'Hill of Cumorah' is fenced in

"The 'Hill of Cumoran' is fenced in and covered with green grass and wild flowers. After wandering over it we went to the old Smith home near the Manchester village, a few miles distant. It was a grand ride. We found a man living in the house, (which was built by the prophet's father.) by the name of Chapman, a good old man he was. He directed us through the house and pointed out MISSION NOTES through the house and pointed out the rooms where the Angel Moroni appeared to the Prophet Joseph. We were then seated in his parlor, which contained furniture, that was made by Brigham Young, when he was a young man. He entered into conversation as to how he came into possession of the farm. He said his father willed it to him with the strict understanding, that he would not destroy a grove, located in the center of the farm. He then directed us to the grove and told us to look out for a very large tree and observe a piece of iron leaning up against it. He said his father told him that there was the place the prophet went from time to time to commune with the Angel Moroni. The grove is cleaned of underbrush, and grove is cleaned of underbrush, it presents a beautiful picture. and The house, which was built by the prophet's father, is a good building to-day, and the owner takes great pride in keeping it well painted and in good We repair. returned by

Palmyra, arriving at Rochester in the "We had several conversations with people of Palmyra and found them full in the belief that Joseph Smith did discover the plates and that they were translated as printed. Now, my young sisters and brothers, I hope what I have said has interested you and I will now endeavor to break from the subject and try and give you some kind advice and show how neces sary it is for you to live upright lives. The Prophet Joseph Smith, after the organization of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1830, Christ of Latter-day Same in commenced to preach to the people, admonishing them to refrain from living unworthy lives and pointed out to them the wrong doings of the vorid. He admonished them to liv Christian lives, to be virtuous and true. He called young converts on missions, instructing them to tell the people of the world, that the Latter-day Saints were opposed to the wickedness that was going on, to explain to them how they should live to merit exaltation. They fol-lowed his advice and were well received in foreign lands. It has been watchword ever since to keep yourself clean and clear of the wickedness of the world. I can see today how important it is to keep up that advice as e young people tempted many times, to do wrong by keeping ovil as sociates. You can easily fall by the wayside by allowing yourself to lose the spirit of good. I recall the conversation I had a few years ago with a young missionary, who while away held a responsible position. He came home, apparently filled with the proper spirit, and made a fine address. Everything seemed to go on smoothly until he renewed companionship with old associ-ates. It appears, that before leaving on his mission, he was in the habit of taking a glass tippling now and again, taking a glass 'just to be sociable,' and he finally drifted back to the same channel he was in before leaving. He went from bad to worse and he is now engaged in catering more or less to the unnatura appetite of his fellows. You can readily see how a young man can lose control of himself and thus influence others to

CONDITIONS IN THE TURKISH MISSION

They follow the evil promptings.

'I wish to tell you of an experienc

I had in California at one time. I went

to the mission house and found a lot of young brothers, who were preaching

that you young people are placed in. The evil power is watching for you, and if you are not on your guard, you may

Elder Thomas P. Page of Riverton, Salt Lake county, who recently re-turned from a business mission to Asia Minor, writes the "News" the following description of conditions at Aleppo Syria:

In this very old city, which monuments show was in existence 2,000 years before our Savior's time, and in which it is claimed Abraham used to live, we have a branch of the Church.

The right name of the city is Haleb. of which Aleppo is the form it comes to us through the Italian. The people here speak Arabic, and a large portion of them claim to be descendants of Abraham through Ishmael. If you ask them how the city received its name. they will tell you that Abraham used to live there, that he had a number of cows: that he was very charitable: that he gave the milk away to the poo when he had finishing milking the poor would say, haleb, haleb, the words meaning "he has milked," and so the city received its name. Of course, city received its name. Of course, stories like this have to be taken with good deal of allowance. satisfied that Abraham lived in this part of the country. Aleppo is a city of about 200,000 pop-

plation and is oriental in its ways and customs.

The streets are narrow and the prin cipal means of freight transportation is the camel. The side streets are about five feet wide and you can touch the walls on each side by the hands a the same time. At night on the side streets there are small coal oil lamp which make darkness visible. not allowed to go out at night vithout a lantern, but it makes very little difference with the poorer people, as they accustom themselves to go to bed at dark.

In going to our house at Aleppo, w go through a long, narrow, crooked street, as described, with blank stone walls 20 to 30 feet high on each side with heavy doors under archways at intervals.

We knock at the door; they ask us who we are before opening, and we go under the archway to a courtyard. In-side it is quite different, surrounding the paved courtyard are buildings nice ly constructed of fancy stone work two or three stories high, with two stone stairways with fancy iron ballus ters leading to upper stories and to the house top, the flat house top being the place where most people sleep dur ing about half of the year. In the center of the courtyard is a handsome stone fountain, which is set in opera tion on holidays and when a comes. In the courtyard there is also an olive and an orange tree, and grapevine trained to run up about and a feet high as a trunk and then to branch out and make an arbor on the foot. Or the flat roof there is a stone balustrade and the last course of stone being hollowed out like a trough, which, being filled with soil, is set with flowers of different kinds, which give at the time they are in bloom a beautiful appear-

The courtyard is kept spotlessly clean and it would not do to scatter orange peels and pieces of paper there. In the buildings surrounding the

court yard, all the buildings being called a house, are three Armenian familles, President Booth and Sister Booth of the Turkish mission, and a building used as the meetinghouse. The members of the Church are all Armenians. The custom here is when you go into

BOXELDER STAKE CONFERENCE

The quarterly conference of the Box elder stake held in the stake taber nacle at Brigham City, Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13, was made Sunday, June 12 and 13, was made notable by the presence of President Joseph F. Smith. The meetings held on Saturday were exceptionally well attended, there being upwards of 60 dimensional sectors of 60 persons at each session. On Sunday the tabernacle was crowded to the limit with an eager multitude, anxious to listen to the leaders of the Church who had come to instruct them. Besides President Smith, Elder Rudgor Clawson and J. Golden Kin-ball were present, each of whom gave some excellent instructions during the sessions of the conference. President Smith expressed in strong terms his protest against the saloons, gambling persons at each session. On Sunday th protest against the saloons, gambling resorts and other houses of ill repute. The president occupied nearly a hour Sunday afternoon speaking of the subject of saloons and the evil

they bring into a community. He handled the question without glovet and was listened to with rapt attention

The bishop of every ward in the stake was present at the conference, and although this is a busy time, the people form surface and in the cople from outside wards came in to the Saturday as well as Sunday meet-lings in great numbers. The speaking was spiendid, the sing-

ing was excellent and the spirit pr-vading each gathering bore witness that the Lord is blessing this people N. LEE. abundantly. Stake Cierk.

NORTH SANPETE STAKE CONFERENCE

The quarterly conference of the San-The quarterly conference of the San-pete stake convened in Moroni at 10 a. m. on Saturday, June 12, President C. N. Lund presiding. There was a good attendance of stake and ward officers and members. The first session was de-voted mostly to reports from the bist-ops of Fountain Green, Spring City, Chester and Mt. Pleasant South ward, whose statements told of the good works of the saints.

works of the saints. Elders David O, McKay and Chales H. Hart arrived in time for the second session. Their addresses and timely H. Hart arrived in time for an timely session. Their addresses and timely teachings were a delight and an inspir-ation to the assembled saints. Many precious instructions were given by the visiting brethren to the priesthood meeting 5-3d on Saturday crening. The general and stake authorities of the Church were unanimously sustained by vote of the saints. Elder Sorren Jacobsen was honorably released as a member of the high cour-

released as a member of the high council and Elder Aaron G. Swan as alter-nate high councilor. Elder Joseph I. Jolley was sustained as member of the high council, and Elders William E. Boblisson William E. Robinson, William Olsen and Daniel H.

Cook were sustained as alternate high councilors. The beautiful selections rendered by the choir under the able leadership of Andrew Davis of Mammoth ward ware a pleasing feature of the occasion AARON HARDY.

Stake Clerk.

W. WOOLF.