DESERET EVENING NEWS: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1902.

HURCHANE FROM VARAND NEAR friend or relative desiring the Elders STAKE CONFERENCES The "News" is a faithful missionary and welcomed by all. QUARTERLY CONFERENCE. Topics Discussed at a Gathering at St. George. LOUISIANA CONFERENCE. The Elders and Saints Enjoy the

Visit of Apostle Woodruff. Elder Hyrum G. Davis sends this re-

port from Lake Charles, La., Dec. 5: The Elders of the Louislana confer-

ence convened in conference at Vowells Mill. Natchitoches parish, La., Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 1, 1902. There were present Apostle Abraham O. Woodruff, President James G. Duffin, Elders Wm. Newman, Peter Johnson, James J. Newman, Peter Johnson, James J. Wright, Warren Burraston, Frank Pe-terson, Arthur Livingston, John For-cyth and Hyrum G. Davis. There were about sixty of the Salus from the surabout sixty of the Saints from the surabout sixty of the same into non-the six rounding country. There were six public meetings held, at three of which Apostie Woodruff and James G. Duffin were the principal speakers. President Duffin spoke of the pre-existence of man, also of our duties to one another while in this mortal probation. Apostle Woodruff spoke of the duties of mem-bers and the respect that we owe to one another. He said that opposition would be stronger yet. He spoke of the organization of the Church, and the

place: The Birmingham semi-annual confer-ence was held Nov. 30, 1902, in the as-sembly rooms, Wretham Rd., Hands-morning power that the different quorums hold. The Authorities of the Church and the mission and conference officers were unanimously sustained. Apostle Wood-ruff and President Duffin left us beworth, Birmingham, At the morning service Elder Arthur N. Taylor pre-sided. Apostle Francis M. Lyman, president of the European mission, and fore our conference was over, but the conference was carried on by the Elthe following traveling Elders of the Birmingham conference were present: The Elders of the conference have George H. Sperry, John E. Lunt, LeRoy Brough, Walter J. Kelly, Stephen A. Newman, William H. Smith, Francis assigned to their different fields of labor and are pressing on in the

work of God. VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Brief Report of a Gathering at Patterson, Va.

Elder Geo. A. Langston, in a letter from Richmond, Va., says:

All the Elders working in the "Old Dominion" state met in conference at Patterson Wythe Co., Va., on the morning of Dec. 4.

Elder Lorenzo Crosby of the Virginia conference presided. Elder George A, Langston was the first speaker. A comparison was made between the doctrines of the Latter-day

Saints and the "Christianity" of the day. Eider W. H. Farnes next spoke on the "Kingdom of God." Elder J. P. Edwards addressed the congregation dwelling particularly upsome of the Savior's commandmente The second meeting was turned over

to Elders M. C. Reeder and O. H. Hylton, who were expecting an early re-lesse from their labors. The speaking at the third meeting ras begun by Elders Lorenzo Crosby.

St. George, Dec. 14 .- Our quarterly stake conference convened yesterday, Elder Ed H. Snow presiding. Meetings of the High Priests' quorum and Re-lief societies were held on Friday, 12th. Elders M. F. Cowley and Rudger Claw-

son arrived yesterday about 6 o'clock a. m., having traveled by team all night through mud and rain to be in time for meeting. The members of the High Council were called upon to address the conference; also returned missionaries and most of the Bishops reported the condition of their respec-tive wards to be in a prosperous conition. Elder Cowley, discoursed upon the practical duties of the people. He said they should not move from place to lace for the sole reason of benefitting their financial condition, but be willing to labor for Zion. They should keep the Word of Wisdom and pay an honest iching and get out of debt. Elder Clawson related his experience

travel from Modena to this city. Exhorted the Saints to establish a char-acter for honesty and make our word better than a mortgage. The division of St. George ward has

been under consideration for some months past and was carried into effect this afternoon. Bishop James Andrus and counsciors were honorably release: with the love and blessing of the people of the ward. The organization of the new wards is as follows: Eishop of eastern division, Isaac C. Maefarlane with William B. Baker and David Forsha counselors; western ward, James McArthur, Bishop, with John E. Pace and William E. Bench

counselors. During the afternoon services the general and local authorities of the Church were unanimously sustained. The conference adjourned for three

months.

MORGAN STAKE.

A Brief Report of the Quarterly Conference. The quarterly conference of the Mor-

gan Stake convened in the Stake tabernacle Dec. 14 and 15, 1902. A fair representation of the authori-

ties of the Stake occupied prominent places on the stand. Ey request of the presidency of the

Stake the Sundty school children at-tended conference on Sunday morning and occupied most of the seats in the house. Stake Chorister of Sunday Schools James H. Carrigan conducted he singing. Counselor Wm, H. Rich of the Stake

presidency informed the audience that President Joseph F. Smith, President Lund and Apostle Woodruff would ar-rive on the 3 o'clock train to attend our conference Bishops Oluf B. Anderson and Charle.

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Elder Ernest E. Cheney, Brigham City, was set apart for the Eastern States mission, Oct. 11, 1900, to return home Dec. 15, 1902. Upon his arrival in the mission field he was sent to labor in the Eastern Pennsylvania conference. His first winter was spent at Reading, while during the summer he labored in the country districts. Since, that time he made Baltimore his headquarters. During his call at the "News" he stated that the Elders were well rerefued in Reading, but accomplished but little in comparison with Philadel-phia and Baltimore, where there was considerable opposition shown. The re-sult being that in Baltimore today there are a number of Saints who now hold very interesting meetings, while a year ago there were none in the

Elder Howard Dabb, Harrisville, returned from a mission to the Northern States on Monday. Subsequent to Oct. 25, 1900, when he was set apart for his mission, he had been laboring in the lowa conference, having enjoyed good health during his absence from Utah. He reports that all the Elders in the conference are now working new tricts and fields in the course of which canvass they are making a number of good and sterling friends in addition to converts.

Elder John Cook of Taylorsville returned to this city Dec. 6 from a mission to England. He was set apart Sept. 21, 1900. On reaching Liverpool he was assigned to labor in the Bristol conference, with Cheltenham as his headquarters, from which place he em. igrated to Utah 38 years ago. He re-ports that he was enabled to meet with a number of his oldtime friends and acquaintances with the result that he and his companion baptized 35 converts. He enjoyed his labors and had the best of health during his absence from America. He states that the conference is in t very prosperous condition and the are laboring most assiduously with the result that good work is being performed.

Elder A. M. McFate writing from Alpine, Ariz., Dec. 8, says he is pleased to make a note of his safe arrival home from a mission to the Northern States. He was set apart on the 18th of October, 1900, and on arriving at Chicago was assigned to labor in the Minnesota conference where he labored as a canvassing Elder, principally in the "Twin" cities. He was called to preside over the conference in February, 1902, and enjoyed his labors in that ca-His release came the 15th of acity. November, when in a few days, he bid farewell to the Elders and Saints and started for his mountain home, where he arrived Dec. 5, and found all well.

Elder H. J. Zobell, writing from Lake View, Dec. 13, says he has just re-turned home from his mission to Scan-dinavia, for which he was set apart Oct. 19, 1900. He arrived home Dec. 6 last. He labored in four different branches in Denmark.

Elder S. B. Benson, writing from Whitney, Idaho, Nov. 14, reports that he arrived home on Nov. 8th, after fill-Ing a mission to the northern states, He left Salt Lake City Oct. 11, 1960, was assigned to labor in the Southern Indiana conference. At the end of 11 months he was called to labor in the Northern Illinois conference in the great city of Chicago, where he spent all but two months of the remainder of his mission. He says the work of the Lord is very progressive in that part of the vineyard. President Edw, Chamberlain of the Northern Illinois conference is working very earnestly with his little band of Elders to get ore the peop

den returned Dec. 19, from a mission to the Netherlands. He was set apart for his labors March 23, 1900. He labored in Holland and presided in Belgium, in Holland and presided in Belgium, devoting his attention to Amsterdam, Brussels and Rotterdam, meanwhile acting as translator for the Star. The work of the Lord is making gratifying progress in that part of the world. His health was good, and his missionary work gave him much pleasure.

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Elder John R. Porter returned to his home at Porterville, Morgan county, yesterday, after having enjoyed a most successful mission in the Eastern States, during the last three months of which he was president of the Brooklyn conference. Elder Porter reports that while the Elders gained considerable disagreeable attention in Brook-lyn through the Hooper Young tragedy, it had the effect of advertis-ing the meetings with the result that edy, they were never better attended by strangers than at the present time. He says that there are about 80 members of the Brooklyn conference at the present, and the outlook is very promising, Elder Porter was set apart for his mission Oct. 24, 1900.

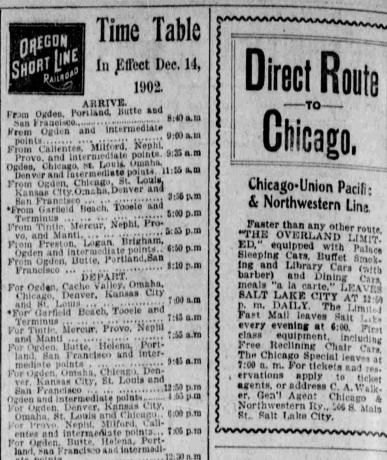
Elder Eugene C. Miller of Riverton returned from a mision to the South-ern States on Dec. 21, in good health and happy at the prospect of enjoying Christmas in the family circle. During his absence he labored in the South and North Carolina conference, where he was president of the first named for one month, and after the change was president of the last named conference for 17 months until he was released. He was set apart for his mission July 19, 1960, He reports that the Elders are doing good work and for the most part are now confining their labors to the larger cities.

Oscar T. Stewart of St. Charles, Ida. reports that the Northern States mis-sion, wherein he has been laboring since Oct. 9, 1900, is in a very flour-ishing condition, and the Elders are enthusiastic over the work. During his absence from Idaho Elder Stewart has ence. He returns in the Indiana confer-ence. He returns in the best of health in time to spend Christmas with his loved ones. oved ones.

Elder L. N. Richards of Mendon returned to Utah on Sunday, Dec. from a successful mission to the south err states where for the greater part of his time he labored in the North Ala-bama conference and for the last six months of his mission in the city of Charleston. He says that there is considerable change in the sentiments the people toward the Latter-day Saints, and that he notices, in comparison to when he first entered the field that the old-time bitterness is dying

n the Southwestern states where he abored in Arkansas for 15 months and the balance of the time in Kansa-City. He was set apart Sept. 5, 1900. He reports that his health has been excellent during his mission, and that conditions in his late field are excep-tionally favorable for the spread of the Gospel.

Elder Lehi Ence of Richfield was set apart to labor in the Northern States mission, Oct., 11, 1900, and upon his rrival in the field was sent to labor in the Northern Illinois conference. With the exception of a period of six months he labored in the heart of Chicago. In course of conversation he stated that the residents of the Windy City were not noticeably worrying about their spiritual salvation, but were more in clined to turn their thoughts in the direction of the pursuit of money making Despite this tendency and pleasure. however, he said that there were about



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out rapidly. Elder Bryant R. McMilian of Sunny-side returned Dec. 19 from a mission

obedience. Elder Sperry said he had that testimony as had Paul that the Gospel is the power of God ut salvation. Elder Spokes rendered the power of God unto solo entitled "The Holy baritone Shrine." Elder Lyman spoke of the Book of Mormon and the Bible.

BIRMINGHAM CONFERENCE.

A Memorable Gathering and Good

Instructions.

Elder John E. Lunt, clerk of the Bir-

mingham conference, England, sends

this report of a recent gathering at that

M. Cox, George Payne, Albert D. Ford, Charles M. Stayner, George Marshall, Jr., George W. Spokes, Homer J. Rich, Kimble Bascom and Samuel S. How-

Elder Taylor gave a short address of

The statisfical report was then read, and the general and local authorities of the Church were sustained.

Elder Ford spoke upon the one true

Eider Rich was the next speaker. He

was followed by Elder Lyman, who spoke upon the revelations of this dis-

pensation as of great worth to the world if they would but accept them.

Elder Brough was the first speaker in

the afternoon. He showed that amid the cares and business of the world,

mankind must not loose sight of the

mankind must not loose sight of the kingdom of God. Elder Lunt spoke of the worth of a testimony of the Gospel. Elder Kelly bore testimony that the knowledge he had of God and His Gos-pel had been revealed to him by the in-spiration of the Holy Ghost. Elder Ly-man spoke upon the subject of faith.

In the evening service Elder Taylor

state that there is a blessing predict-

welcome and reported the conference.

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On Saturday at 11:30 Elder Lyman met the Elders in a council meeting, when the six months' reports were giv-

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the representation at conference was gratifying, especially the evening session.

GOTHENBURG CONFERENCE.

The Elders Meeting With Encouraging Success.

The following items are from a lettor dated Gothenburg, Sweden, Nov. 27, and signed by Elder Hyrum J. Hanon, now on a mission in that field: At the present time we are 16 Elders

laboring in this the Gothenburg con-terence of the Scandinavian mission and in most of the fields we are meeting with encouragement. Parts which, for the past few years have been comparatively dead, are now beginning to ven up and the prospects for the fu ture are bright. The dedication of the new mission house in Copenhagen last July seems to have been a factor favor. At that memorable gathering it was declared by our beloved presi-dent, Apostle Francis M. Lyman, and thers, that we had now come among tais people to live with them, and heip heilding up their nations, and uphold their governments and establish the work of God among them which would insure peace and liberty and it was also declared that we meant business this regard.

Since our return from that opening f a new epoch in the work of the Lord in these countries the people generally have been much more interested and friendly and our meetings have been well attended, and haptisms, at least in some branches, more numerous. This is a testimony which strengthens out faith and gives us greater courage to press forward and work for the re-

demution of the world. The Elders are all well and are interested in the work.

The "News," which comes regularly, and also the "Era" are welcome guests and administer joy and consolation to our hearts.

PROGRESSING NICELY.

The Work in the Kentucky Conference.

Elder Jenkin Jones in a letter dated Louisville, Ky., Dec. 8, says:

The Elders-laboring in the state of Kentucky met in Louisville on the 26th of November for the purpose of hold-ing conference. President Ben E. Rich of the Middle States mission was in attendance.

At the council meeting which was held at 10 a. m. each Elder volced his sentiments in regard to the missionary work in Kentucky, bearing his testi-money to the truth of the Gospei. After each Elder, 24 in all, had expressed thomselves President Rich gave som very valuable instructions, upon the duties of a missionary, law of tithing, and the way to present the Gospel before the people

At 2:30 p. m. a public meeting was held at which President Rich and Elder W. C. De Loney were the speakers, President Rich dwelt upon the gamjeets of authority and church organ-ization. After this public meeting another council meeting was held, the entire time being occupted by President Rich in giving instructions to the Elders.

At 7 o'clock P. M. another public meeting was held. Elders A. J. Bishop, A. W. Neeley and President Rich were the speakers. The attendance at each of the public meetings was very small owing to the inclemency of the weath The work in the Kentucky conference is progressing alcely although a great deal of intifference is manifes in regard to hearing the Gospel. Th The western rs are now laboring in the pert of the state; Anyone having a the Eldert,

Elder Geo, L. Schow spoke next. Elder Ben. E. Rich was then introduced and delivered an extended sermon. The afternoon meeting was devoted to

testimony bearing. Rich juded by showing the necessity of hongood attendance and competent teachoring the local Priesthood. At the Priesthood meeting the local

branch officers were sustained and the Fiders were then assigned companions. to work. Our ranks were weakened by the transfer of Elder Edgar Perry to Ohio.

Not the least enjoyable feature of the conference was the singing under the direction of Eider O. H. Hylton.

ANACONDA CONFERENCE.

Elders and Saints Have a Profitable Gathering.

Elder R. J. Pace, in a letter dated Butte, Mont., Dec. 13, reports as fol-

lows: The Elders and Saints of the Anaconda conference met in quarterly con-ference Sunday, Dec. 7, 1902, in Dewey hall, Anaconda, Mont. Elder Nephi Pratt presided. There were in attendance Elders Theodore S. Toyn and E. N. Stauworth of Annconda, and R. S. Pace, O. F. Thatcher, W. H. Marrott, E. S. Hansen and H. F. Johnson of There was a large attendance Butte. and a good spirit prevailed.

The forenoon meeting was called to order by Elder Thomas L. Toyn. Elders R. J. Pace, W.H. Marrott, O. P. Thatch-er and E. S. Hansen of Butte spoke a tew minutes each. The remainder of the time was occupied by Elder Nephi

Pratt, upon the Word of Wisdom, and laws of science and health. The evening session was conducted by Elder T. L. Toyn, Elder Nephi Pratt presented the general authorities of the Church, and they were all unanimously

sustained. The local authorities were then presented, a few changes having been

made and sustained as follows: Branch president, Augustus Short, with Elders John Boyst and James Pet-ersen as counselors; Sister Mary P. Davis as president of the Relief society, nd Sisters Sarah Ann Robensen and Annie Amer as her connselors, Elder Thomas L. Toyn as superintendent of the Sunday school, and Sister Lola Jarard as secretary: Elder Roy Stokes as president of the Mutual Improvement association, with Sister Lola Jar-ard and Brother Fowler as his counsel-

ors, and Mamie Jarard as secretary. Elder H. F. Johnson, who has been recently released from his labors as missionary in the Northwestern States mission, was the first speaker. Elder Augustus Short was the next. Elder Nephi Pratt spoke of the one Lord, one faith and one baptisn

IN WEST VIRGINIA.

The Conference Held at Parkersburg.

Elder P. M. Christiansen writes from Parksburg, W. Va., Dec. 13:

It has been the good fortune of the North West Virginia conference meet again in the capacity of conference on the 10th and 11th inst. In this city

There were 16 Elders present, including our mission president, Ben, E. Rich, Two public meetings were held in the city auditorium. Elder Ben E. Rich scoupled the time of the first; but being called away on business, our retir ing president, Elder Walter Wright, spoke upon the first principles of the Gospel and briefly referred to some of the charges that are made against us by the world.

Three Priesthood meetings were held at 705 Swan street, this city, where all the business of the conference was transacted, the most important being that of having changed the office from Grafton to this city.

Elder Walter Wright was honorably released to return to his home in Salt Lake City, and the nume of B. J. Trunnell was presented as president of the conference with Mder A. R. Nichols and Frank Robinson as counselors Encouraging reports were given in by

Turner reported their wards in a good condition spir ually and financially. Alonzo Francis of the Stake superintendency of Sunday schools, reported the schools in a thriving condition with

H. B. Crunch, Stake superintendent of Y. M. M. I. A., reported the as.ociations in good running order and doing a good work. Elder Justin Porter, returned mis-

stonary, occupied a few moments of the time. Elder Aima Porter bore testimony that the Spirit of the Lord was present

in rich abundance. Counselor Wm. W. Francis at 11:30 a. m. announced that the brethren from Salt Lake were approaching. The con-gregation arose, and as the brethren wended their way to the stand, that beautiful hymn, "We thank Thee, O

God, for a prophet," was sung President Lund thanked the congregation for the respect shown them, and stated that President Smith was unavoidably detained and could not be

present Apostle Woodruff and Sister Woodruff greeted the assembly, and meeting adjourned.

At the afternoon session Elder Wm W. Francis gave a brief report of the ndition of the Stake. Elder Woodruff referred to the colo-

ization of the Big Horn country, and advised the Saints to use their free agency in bearing testimony whenever ccasion required. Solo by Sister Evelyn Harding,

President Lund, speaking on the marriage supper, explained the meaning of the wedding garment. He em-

phasized the necessity of unity. At the Monday morning services, Bishops Wm. Giles, Joseph B. Robbins and George R. Thackery reported their wards in a better condition than at last

report. President Lydia Rich reported the Relief society, and Counselor Sarah Welch reported the Primary. Ba Both

organizations are doing excellent. Elder Orrin P. Miller of the Presiding Bishopric of the Church, was present on Monday, and spoke on the principle tithing and the authority of the

holy Priesthood. Elder Woodruff referred to the different customs of Oriental nations in greeting each other. The Laiter-day Saints greet each other by shaking hands, which should be done with a grip that it may be appreciated. He said there were three things he wished do and carry out: first, to honor the Priesthood: second, to honor and respect the aged; third, to respect the bonored dead and finally to know-how

to shake hands correctly. At the afternoon services, Elder Himer and Counselor Rich spoke, 'conirming the report of Counselor Francis relation to the condition of the

The General and local authorities vere then presented and sustained, al in a list of missionaries to travel for the ensuing six months,

President Lund, Elders Woodruff and Miller offered the closing remarks. bearing upon the principle of fasting and its object. Wm. G. Brough and Honry C. Ed-

dington were set apart as High Cour-citors, and Thomas R. Condie as an alternate Date of ward conferences were that

announcel by the presidency, and meeting adjourned for three months, D. A. POBISON, Clerk.

RETURNED MISSIONARIES

Elder Seth Johnson of Kariab arrived in Salt Lake Dec. 13, after havbeen honorably released from a mission in Kansas. During the major cortion of his work he labored in the St. John's conference, where he reports that success attended his work and that the mission generally was in a flourigh-ing condition. Elder Johnson was set apart Aug. 72, 1900, since which date he reports that he narticipate⁴ in 200 meetings, sold 227 Church publications and distributed 11,155 tracts. He proposes to remain in Salt Lake until

eret News, he says, was indeed a com-fort to him, as it is to all Elders. It It was like getting a good letter from home to get hold of our worthy paper. The little branch of the Church in Chicago is in a fair condition. They

lave a good Sunday school, Young Men and Young Ladies' associations and a Relief society. These organizations ar doing a good work and are presided over by good men and women.

Fider John F. Perkins of Overton Nevada, passed through this city Dec. 26, on his return from the Southwestern States mission, whither he was sent Sept. 5, 1900. He labored during his bsence in the North Texas conference where an excellent work is being done. and much good accomplished. A colony now being established at Kelsey, pshur county, where a number families are gathering and making homes. In the town of Weatherford, Parker county, the Elders were favor-ed in finding a number of warm friends related up through the efforts cominent attorney who recently visit-this city and who was entertained y the Church Bureau of Information

Elder Frank L. Brown of Prospect Idaho, passed through this city Dec. 24, op his return from missionary labors in the Alabama conference of the Southern States mission. He was set apart Nov. 21, 1966, and had a most enjoy-able time during his labors. He presided over the Alabama conference dur-ing the past 13 months. The work there prospering and the Elders are making fair progress.

Elder Joshua P. Terry, writing from Draper, Utah, Dec. 20, says that during the past two years he has been laboring as a canvassing Elder in the lowa conference of the Northern States mission. He was set apart Dec. 26, 1900, and returned Dec. 13, 1902. Nine months of his time were spent in Des and Moines, 19 months in Council Bluffs, two months in Cedar Rapids, one month and a half at Davenport and vicinity one month among relatives at North Freedom, Wis. Though turned away, he says, from a few houses, he was treated well by the great majority

His missionary labor brought joy unspeakable Elder John A. Bevan of Tooele City. Toocle county, returned home from a mission to the Southern states. He left for his field of labor on the 27th of Noember, 1901, and labored in Kentucky during his absence. He was released a little earlier than usual owing to his age and poor health. However he enjoyed his mission very much, and reports the conference in a flourishing condition. On his way home he was aught in the Kansas blizzard and de-

tained some 36 hours.

Elder B. H. Plerce of Colonia Juarez, hihuahua, Mexico, writes as follows: I was set apart Oct. 8, 1900, to fill a hission to the Southern states. While field I labored in the Lone Star state. I met with many friends and enoyed my labors very much, and am cased to report the conference in a rosperous condition. I returned home the 24th of November, 1902."

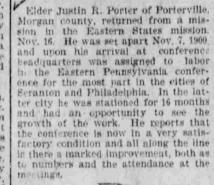
Elder Archibald W. Young, of Richfield, Sevier county, returned on Dec. 6 from a mission to Great Britain. He was set apart for his labors Sept. 5, 1902, On arriving at Liverpool he was assigned to labor in the Scottish mission, where he worked for 23 months, principally in

Edinburgh. He reports a flourishing branch of the Church at Edinburgh. While absent he had good health and enjoyed his mission very much.

Elder Myron A. Chidester of Washngton county, returned from a mission the Southwestern states on Dec. He was set apart for his work Dec. 5, 1900. He labored in Eastern Kansas the first 14 months of his time, and the remainder of his mission was spent in Oklahoma conference. He reports the mission in a flourishing condition. He enjoyed his labors, but is glad to be liopre again.

Elder Leonard Van den Akker of Og- | from home.

200 Saints in the conference in which he labored. He returned hom on Dec



Elder John H. Fairchild, writing from Council Bluffs, Idaho, Dec. 15, savs he and Elder Thomas F. Birch recently took a trip through the country a distance of about 100 miles "with out purse of scrip." They were treated very well by some, while others did not treat them so well. One man slammed the door in their faces. In Council Bluffs they have been since Nov. 11 and have met with good success. They are now holding cottage meetings in different of the city. They have severa good friends and have four applications , baptism.

V Elder A. Porter of Basalt, Bingham county, Ida., returned from a mission to the Middle States on Dec. 16, and to the andthe status way to his home on continued on his way to his home on Friday. Elder Porter was set apart was laboring in the East Tennessee was laboring in the East Tennessee conference. He states that he was conference. He states that he wa called on his mission some months be fore he went and he was delayed somewhat by a bad attack of rheumatism, which was in his system when he arrived in his field of labor. Shortly after arriving at his destination, how ever, the pain left him and he returns home decidedly improved in health. He more in health. He enjoyed his labors among the residents of Tennessee who he says were most hospitable.

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returned from a successful mission in the Southwestern States Dec. 17, hav-ing labored in the East Arkansas and, later, when the conforences were changed, in the Arkansas conference, For 12 months he was president of the first named conference and for the suc-ceeding seven months he acted in the same capacity over the reorganized dis-trict. He reported having haptized 15 converts and stated that the mission was in a flourishing condition. Aside from an incident during his mission wherein a chair was flung at his head by an intoxicated man with some effect. Elder McAllister stated that he had repeople of Alabama.

Elder J. W. Swapp, of Kanab. returned from a successful mission to the Southwestern States on Thursday, Dec. 18, caling on the "News" on his way home. He reports that he has enjoyed his labors in the mission field enjoyed his tabors in the mission net and has been instrumental in bringing 13 residents of Alabama into the Church. After leaving Salt Lake Au-gust 22, 1900, he said that he was privileged to enjoy a most interesting ex-perience in the missionary field to eventually return home in the best of health, bringing with him pleasant re-miniscences of the hospitality and good reeling towards the Elders that was exhibited by those with whom he came in contact during his absence



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Elder Richard S. McAllister of Kanab

Elder Hyrum S. Morrison of Frank-lin, Ida., returned Dec. 17 from a two years' mission to the Southern Status the reports that from the time he was set apart on Oct. 18, 1900, he enjoy spiencia nearth and altogether felt that his labors had not been in vain. During the first part of his mission he labored in the North Alabama conference and later in the Alabama conference, principally in the cities of Memphis, Birmingham and Selma.

