

God has decreed that He would make of this people the glory and excellence of the whole earth. How necessary then that we seek for faith to excel in all things. He rejoiced in his labors as a Patriarch, for his heart was full of blessings for the Saints.

Elder Ira H. Hobbs said most of his life since the year 1854 had been spent laboring among the Indians. He related many interesting experiences he had passed through and told of hardships and sufferings endured while laboring to ameliorate the condition of the red man.

Elder Joseph Whitehead had greatly enjoyed the spirit of this conference. Said he was born and raised in the Churron, and related some of the experiences he encountered when assisting the Saints to cross the plains. Made an earnest appeal to the youth to investigate the truths of the Gospel and seek for testimonies concerning the work.

Elder Jos. Eckersley addressed the Saints on the necessity of a pure life, urging that no person was a fit subject to teach the youth of Zion who neglected strictly to obey the Word of Wisdom and to observe the law of tithing.

At the afternoon meeting the general and Stake authorities were presented by Counselor G. S. Bastian and sustained by the conference. Elder Jos. Eckersley read the statistical report.

President W. E. Robison discoursed at some length upon the apostasy from and restoration of the Gospel, adducing scriptural evidences to support his argument. The necessity of continued revelation was very clearly shown and Elder Robison closed by exhorting the Saints to diligence and good works.

Elder Seth Taft referred to the development of the work of God in the earth; the Gospel should make of us better men and women; the Lord has gathered the Saints from the nations of the earth to these valleys that He may raise up unto Himself a pure seed; the Gospel is in harmony with all true science.

Counselor Hans M. Hanson spoke upon the necessity of the Saints reducing to practice the teachings received during this conference. We shall be judged by the light that we receive, and the Lord will reward us according to our works.

On Friday afternoon, February 22, Sister Hannah Sorensen, by request, delivered a very able discourse to the Priesthood of the Stake on the "Science of life and the laws of social purity."

On Sunday evening a meeting under the auspices of the Sunday school authorities was held, at which Sister Hannah Sorensen delivered a discourse to parents and teachers of the Sunday school, beautifully setting forth the duties and responsibilities incumbent upon them.

All the meetings were well attended. The weather was favorable, and the spirit of peace and rejoicing were poured out upon the people.

JOSEPH ECKERSLEY,  
Stake Clerk.

One of the largest and most interesting meetings ever held in Wayne Stake convened in the Loa meeting house, Wayne Co., March

2nd, 1895. The occasion was the closing exercises of the W. H. P. R. class, taught by Sister Hannah Sorensen, which has been in session for the seven weeks just past. There were present of the Stake presidency, Elders H. M. Hanson and G. S. Bastian, a number of High Councilors, Bishops and leading brethren of the Stake, besides a large body of brethren and sisters from all parts of the Stake. The house was elegantly decorated for the occasion; over the stand hung a very beautiful motto bearing the inscription, "The Physical Redemption of our Sex to the Glory of Mankind." After the opening exercises Sister Sorensen made a few remarks in which she stated that she had never experienced greater joy in her labors than during her stay in Loa; the sisters attending the class were the most punctual students she had ever taught, and the interest manifested and progress made by them were very gratifying.

The following program was then rendered by members of the class: A speech of welcome by Sarah A. Robison, followed by a report of the class given by Mary Young, showing an enrollment of 48 members; the average attendance was excellent and the work accomplished praiseworthy. A composition on parental influence was then read by Luta Brown; next was a composition on preparation for marriage by Anna Coleman; a speech, how can happy and beautiful maternity be attained, was delivered by Isabella Dolton; a recitation on reform was next rendered by Miss Red; Elsie Stephens read a composition on economy; a speech on social purity by Lucinda Stephens followed, and Mrs. Larsen read a composition on Hygiene; a composition on the Training of Children was read by Pauline Brown; reading of the juvenile paper, Miss Eugenie Ball; a quartette by four little girls of the juvenile class was then nicely rendered, followed by remarks from a number of the brethren, and testimonies by a number of the sisters attending the class.

In the evening a free concert was given by the members of Sister Sorensen's class. The house was crowded to overflowing. The program consisted of speeches, songs, recitations and a well rendered exercise in physical culture.

On Friday afternoon, March 1st, an organization of the W. H. P. R. class was effected at Loa, consisting of a president, four counselors, two secretaries and fourteen missionaries, all of whom were blessed and set apart for their labors. The labors of Sister Sorensen in this Stake are very much appreciated by all. Not only has she taught the before-mentioned class, but twice every week, free of charge, she has taught a class of girls ranging from ten to sixteen years. Two nights a week she has taught physical culture in Loa, and one night each week has given lessons in physical culture at Fremont, all free of charge. Very frequently she has lectured in the evening to the Saints in the different settlements and has labored unceasingly to benefit, bless and elevate the people. She is performing a grand labor among the daughters of Zion, and heaven will bless and reward her for the noble efforts put forth and the untiring zeal manifested to

raise humankind to a higher plane of social purity and happiness.

Today our good sister leaves for Salt Lake City, where, in the near future, she will continue her work. May the same success that characterized her labors here continue with her.

JOSEPH ECKERSLEY.

### CANAIGRE TANNERY IN TEXAS.

In the following notice of an important industry in which Utah people ought by this time to be interested (the notice being sent by a friend who presumably clipped it from an El Paso, Texas paper) will be prominently found the name of a former Salt Laker, Mr. J. W. Brown, who will be remembered as manager of the Rowe Tannery in this city:

"A valuable manufacturing industry has been successfully started on the east side in the last twelve months, viz: the canaigre tanning establishment of the El Paso Tanning company. The company have found that the root is so far superior to the oak bark process that the latter is likely to become obsolete as an agent when and where the canaigre root can by any possible means be obtained. This root grows extensively in this section of the country, and can be cultivated so as to very largely increase its productiveness. Comparative tests prove that the canaigre root is four times as strong as the oak bark, the actual test being that the same results were obtained from 300 pounds of the root that were obtained from 1,200 pounds of oak bark.

The claim as to the superiority of the root is further borne out by reports from the harness and shoe men who have had ample opportunities to judge as to relative merits. The harness men particularly tell the tanning company that the canaigre-tanned goods are much better in the way of tensile strength and wear and tear than goods otherwise tanned, and in the way of shoe leather the reports received are encouraging enough.

The company have a plant covering 100x120 feet economically divided up, and with a capacity of eighty hides per week, so that they are proving a good customer for the slaughtering men. Green hides are taken from the store room into what is called the beam room containing four large vats.

One is a lime water vat where the chemical eats the hair off the hides and then they are placed on "beams;" here the odd bits of hair and flesh are carefully scraped off by men with scraping irons. After the hides have been carefully washed in the adjacent vat they are immersed in a solution of the canaigre root in another room containing thirteen vats 6x8x4 feet, the dose being one and a half tons of canaigre to each vat. The strength of the liquors is graduated, the fresh hides being first immersed in the weakest solution. This is done to prevent the leather from disintegration and cracking afterwards on exposure. The liquors are kept agitated by a mechanism, the device of Manager J. W. Brown, so that the solutions are maintained of uniform strength in each vat.

After the process is completed, the hides are taken out, dried in a dry room when the leather is to be used