

small way, and that pays well. Chickens will largely feed on grasses, particularly on lucern. Those people that have but small numbers of fowls can join together and purchase an incubator for several families. Sell a dozen eggs, you get 15 to 20 cts. Produce a spring chicken, you get from 25 to 40 cts. Then if you do not want to sell them all, you can have once in a while one to eat. Those that have small flocks of poultry and large families of children will do well to let the children raise the poultry on shares. It induces children to become self-supporting, and makes your table better, and your pockets fatter.

H. J. FAUST.

March 19, 1891.

STAKE CONFERENCES.

SAN JUAN.

The quarterly conference of the San Juan Stake of Zion was held at this place on the 21st and 22nd inst. There were present, of the Stake Presidency Presidents F. A. Hammond and Wm. Halls; several members of the High Council and the Bishops of Bluff and Mancos wards. Owing to the stormy weather which prevailed for several days previous to and during the conference none of the other wards of the Stake were represented.

The speakers during the conference were Presidents Hammond and Halls; Bishops Jens Nielsen of Bluff and Geo. Halls of Mancos; Elders John Allan, Samuel Wood, James B. Decker, Hanson Bayles, Wm. Adams, Kumen Jones and A. P. Sorenson. An excellent spirit prevailed and a variety of subjects were dwelt upon by the speakers. The Saints were especially exhorted to cultivate a spirit of love and kindness, and to be honest in their dealings with each other and with all mankind. The importance of properly training and educating the young was also dwelt upon by several of the speakers. All were exhorted to faithfulness in the performance of every duty devolving upon us as Latter-day Saints.

The general and local authorities of the Church were sustained as usual.

The Bishops present reported their wards as being in a progressive condition and the Saints generally alive to their duties.

Conferences of the Y. M. and Y. L. M. I. A., Relief Society and Primary Association were also held, all of which were well attended by the Saints of Bluff and visiting brethren, and excellent instructions were given. Programmes were creditably rendered by the Y. M. and Y. L. M. I. A. and Primary Association.

PETER ALLAN,
Clerk of Conference *pro tem.*

MALAD.

A quarterly conference of the Malad Stake of Zion commenced at West Portage on Sunday, March 15, 1891, and continued during that and the following day.

During the first day Second Counselor Wm. H. Gibbs reported the Stake as being in good condition, the organizations being in splendid working order and the wards being prompt in their tithes and offerings.

Stake President O. C. Hoskins showed the necessity of our having the

Spirit of the Gospel continually with us, and encouraged the Saints in the work of God.

President Seymour B. Young discoursed on the "Resurrection of the Dead," showing the falsity of the doctrine called the "baby resurrection." He thought the parts of the natural body will form the actual parts of the resurrected body; also, that an infant, when resurrected, will arise just as it was laid down, and, in a certain time thereafter, it will reach the state it would have attained to had it remained on the earth till it had reached maturity.

Several members of the High Council gave general instructions.

During the second day the statistical reports of the Wards were read, and the home missionaries presented and sustained.

Brother Richard Morse, of Samaria, dilated on the "Instruction of the Young" and the "Encouragement of Church Schools," in a forcible manner.

Prest. O. C. Hoskins, Wm. H. Gibbs, and others spoke very interestingly. The conference was a complete success. The attendance, considering the sickness extant among the people, was exceedingly large; but no part of the programme was more beautifully rendered than the singing, which does credit to Prof. Jones, and his stake choir.

WM. ANTHONY,
Clerk.

WEST PORTAGE, March 16, 1891.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Released from Prison.

Brother Thomas Beard, of Coalville, was released from the penitentiary March 18, having served a term thirty days' imprisonment for non-payment of his fine on the charge of unlawful cohabitation. He left for home over the Union Pacific last night. His treatment, he says, at the hands of the prison officials was the very best.

Death of Matthew Mansfield.

Father Matthew Mansfield, whose death occurred in Mill Creek Ward March 6th, 1891, was born at Rushwood Common, Brambly Parish, England, October 25th, 1810. He was the son of John and Sarah Pinket Mansfield. He left England in 1831 and came to Canada, where he embraced the Gospel. Having removed to Missouri, he went through the persecutions there and subsequently removed to Nauvoo, where he again shared the sufferings of the Saints. He arrived in Salt Lake City in 1847. In 1861 he went on the southern mission to St. George, where he lived twenty-four years and then returned to his home in Mill Creek Ward, where he ended his days. The cause of his death was la grippe and disease of the kidneys.

Returned Elders.

Elder David T. Le Baron returned to this city Saturday, March 14, from a mission to South Carolina and Georgia, where he has been laboring for about two years. He left his home on February 15, 1889, and has, during his absence, enjoyed good health most

of the time. He reports some additions to the Church, although, as a general rule, much indifference to the principles of the Gospel is manifested.

Elder Edward Peay, of Provo, has returned from England, having been honorably released from his mission. He left this city on the 9th of October, 1889, and was, on his arrival in England, appointed to labor in the Leed's Conference, where, he says, he has met with fair success, having distributed a number of tracts, organized a prosperous Sunday school and baptized a number of converts. He has also obtained some genealogical records. He has enjoyed good health most of the time and returns feeling well in body and spirit.

Elder William Collard, of Fountain Green, Sanpete County, arrived in Salt Lake City, from the Southern States, where he has been traveling as a missionary. He left for his field on the 26th of February, 1889, and was appointed to labor in South Carolina, and, the last two months, in Georgia. Elder Collard states that he has enjoyed his labors very much and has met with some success. The people, he says, are, as a general rule, hospitable, even if they do not manifest much interest in the principles of the Gospel. He has enjoyed good health during his absence.

Musical Exercises for Conference.

Following is the list of hymns and anthems to be sung during the coming Church Conference:

SATURDAY.

1. Hymn, "Now let us rejoice in the day of salvation," Psalmody, No. 276, choir and congregation.
2. Hymn, "Glorious things of thee are spoken," Sunday School Union Tune Book, choir.
3. Anthem, "From afar, gracious Lord," etc., Pilgrims' Chorus, choir.
4. Hymn, "The Spirit of God like a fire is burning," Psalmody, No. 274, choir and congregation.
5. Hymn, "Lord, thou wilt hear me when I pray," Psalmody, No. 104, choir.
6. Anthem, "O give thanks unto the Lord," E. Stephens, choir.

SUNDAY.

1. Hymn, "How firm a foundation, ye Saints of the Lord," Psalmody, No. 282, choir and congregation.
2. Anthem, "How beautiful upon the mountains," Tullidge, choir.
3. Anthem, "Let the mountains shout for joy," (E. Stephens,) choir, the congregation joining in the "Doxology" at the close.
4. Hymn, "Praise to the man," Psalmody, No. 278, choir and congregation.
5. Anthem, "Grant us peace, O Lord," (E. Stephens,) choir.
6. Hallelujah Chorus, (Handel,) choir.

MONDAY.

1. Hymn, "We thank Thee O God for a Prophet," choir and congregation.
2. Hymn, "Sweet is the work my God, my King," Psalmody, 77, choir.
3. Anthem, "Praise ye the Father," Gounod, choir.
4. Hymn, "O ye mountains high," choir and congregation.
5. Hymn, "Behold the mountain of the Lord," No. 161, Psalmody, choir.
6. Anthem, "Let God Arise," (J. S. Lewis,) choir.

Choir leaders and others of the Latter-day Saints attending conference who are familiar with the foregoing pieces, or who read music readily, are requested to occupy seats on the chair platform and take part in the singing. We shall greatly appreciate their aid.

EVAN STEPHENS,
Conductor of the Tabernacle Choir.

Hans Christian Bakkeskou, a shipowner of Sem, and a very prominent citizen, died at an age of 68 years.