

entitled, "The Dedication Song," was sung.

The assembly were requested to repair to the Main Room over the Font Room.

When the people were seated, the choir sang,

"This house we dedicate to Thee."

Elder ERASTUS SNOW offered the following prayer—

Dedication Prayer offered by Elder Erastus Snow at the St. George Temple, January 1, 1877.

"O God, our eternal Father, creator of all things, who raised up the Prophet Joseph Smith to organize the holy priesthood after the order of thy Son, and laid the foundation of Zion, and established thy church and kingdom among men upon the earth. We thy servants and people, appear before thee in this holy house which we have built unto thy name, and stretch forth our hands unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in his name we beseech thee to hear the prayer of thy servant, Wilford Woodruff, which has been offered up in the font room of this house, and answer it upon this house and people. We implore thy blessing upon this people and upon this house, which we dedicate and consecrate unto the Most High. This room especially we hallow unto thee, and beseech thee to accept it as the offering of thy people, and sanctify it to their use for sacred and holy purposes, and to thine own glory, it being the principal room on the first floor over the font and above the basement, together with the adjoining vestry, halls, entry ways and outer steps leading up into the same, also the staircases, closets and everything appertaining to this room and its surroundings; even the foundation on which it rests, the pillars and timbers laid on them; the joists, the floor, the base boards; the columns supporting the upper floors, with their base and capitals; the walls, with the rock, mortar, inner and outer plastering, and all materials of which they are composed; the platforms, with their foundations, on which the several pulpits are built, together with the stands or pulpits, even those on the eastern end, appointed for the Melchisedec Priesthood, and its appendages, with their seats and doors, aisles, steps, railings, banisters, and newel posts; together with the platforms and seats on either side, prepared for the use of the Elders and High Priests and visiting Apostles and Seventies, with the aisles and railing thereunto belonging; also the platforms with the several pulpits in the western end, for the use of the Aaronic Priesthood, namely, the Bishopric, or Presidency of the Aaronic Priesthood, the Presidency of the Priests' Quorum, the Presidency of the Teachers' Quorum, and the Presidency of the Deacons' Quorum, and all the seats, doors, railings, and banisters, with the side seats arranged for visiting Bishops and for the Priests, Teachers, and Deacons; also the ceiling and side cornices; the arch and its centre pieces; the cornices above the columns, with the gilded stars and other devices and ornamentation thereof; also the windows, with the frames, sash, glass, putty and fastenings, that they may afford light in this apartment; also the inner and outer doors, with all their hangings, locks, and fastenings; the seats, dressing rooms, partitions, curtains and veil; the stoves, utensils and all things to be used herein; with all wood, iron, brass, nails, screws, bolts, paints, and material of every kind; that all may be sanctified unto thy most holy name and be preserved from fire and all the elements that might injure and destroy the same, and from all wicked and ungodly men, from all defilement within and without, that thy Holy Spirit may dwell herein, and thine angels minister unto thy servants, and thy law with thy judgments and statutes be made known unto thy people, and be ever revered herein, that it may be a place of prayer, meditation, and sacred instruction, that all who come herein may feel thy presence and sanctifying influence, uncover their heads, loose their shoes from off their feet, and reverence thy holy name. We beseech thee, holy Father, in the name of thy Son, to look down upon thy servants and people in great mercy, and forgive their sins and follies. We thank thee for thy care and protection over thy servants and handmaidens who have labored to gather the

materials and to build this house, and notwithstanding the difficulties and dangers, the accidents and snares, that beset them, the enemy has not had power to slay them, nor has limb been broken nor blood shed upon this building, or these grounds, consecrated unto thee. Let thy choice blessing continue upon thy people who have labored upon or contributed to build this house. Inasmuch as they have done it in faith, may they and their generations after them, and through them the fathers before them, enjoy the blessings and exaltations which flow through the ordinances of thy house and the ministrations of thy holy priesthood. Bless especially thy servant Brigham Young, whom thou hast given us for a leader and President over all thy people, by whose hand thou didst lead them unto this land and plant their feet in the tops of the mountains, inspired him to build this house unto thee with all the apartments and appointments thereof. Comfort him in his old age, heal up his body, relieve him of aches and pains, fill him with the revelation of thy Spirit to speak thy word unto thy people, and that he may be able to order all things in this thine house and among thy people as thou wilt. Bless also his wives and children and all thou hast given him. Bless in like manner his counsellors, John W. Young and Daniel H. Wells, and the assistant counsellors, with all the apostles, their wives and children, houses, lands, flocks and herds. Strengthen them in body and spirit and enable them to overcome the world, and magnify their calling unto the end. And we pray thee, O God, that these same blessings may rest upon thy servants who bear the Melchisedec and Aaronic Priesthoods, in all of their organizations and quorums, throughout the Church and Kingdom of God on the earth. Preserve their offspring from wickedness, from unbelief and rebellion, from pride, worldly-mindedness and folly, from apostasy and the second death. If any have gone astray, chasten them in thy mercy and restore them unto thy fold, enable them to walk in the footsteps of their fathers and become shining lights throughout the world, that in them all nations may be blest. Remember thy servants laboring in thy vineyard throughout the earth. Raise up friends to minister unto their necessities, make their testimony powerful unto all people, gathering out the righteous and ripening the wicked for the consumption decreed. Hasten the redemption of the Lamanites, and the gathering of Israel from every land, to establish Zion and rebuild Jerusalem. Preserve the remnants of Joseph from destruction. Open their eyes and hearts to receive the record of their fathers and thy ministering servants sent among them. Visit them in dreams and visions, show them the way of life, and unite them for good over all the land, that they may be able to build Zion, even the New Jerusalem, upon this land of their fathers. Confound thine enemies and all who fight against Zion. Let those who will not repent be washed away when their cup of iniquity is full. Clothe thy Saints with salvation as with a garment. Lead them in paths of righteousness and peace. Let them triumph gloriously, for thine is the kingdom, power, and glory, forever. Amen."

After which the hymn, "Redeemer of Israel," was sung.

The congregation were requested to remain seated while President Brigham Young, the members of the Twelve Apostles, and a few others of the Priesthood, repaired to the Sealing Room, where, after singing, "Come let us anew," Elder BRIGHAM YOUNG, JUNR., offered up the following prayer—

Dedication Prayer offered up by Elder Brigham Young, Junr., at the St. George Temple, January 1, 1877.

"Oh Lord God of Israel, thou who showest mercy unto those who walk uprightly before thee according to the light in them. To thee we bow in humble reverence and call upon thy holy name on this occasion of dedicating portions of this Temple erected for holy purposes, dispensing the ordinances of thy house unto this generation, their progenitors and posterity. Hear and answer the prayers offered up by thine Apostles, Wilford Woodruff and Erastus Snow; that they may penetrate the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth, that the blessing

of God may rest upon and in this building, from the foundations to the towers thereof. And now, our Father, we have assembled in this upper room, wherein we anticipate performing the ordinances of sealing woman to man; children to their parents, and man to his fellow man, that the bond may reach unto heaven thy dwelling place, and when we attain to that happy state and rise with the just in the morning of the first resurrection, that we may legally claim the relationship of husbands and wives, parents and children, and be crowned sons and daughters of God and joint heirs with Jesus, our elder brother. We dedicate this room unto thee, the circular stairs leading to it, the boards and nails and paint which compose the stairs, the timbers upon which they rest, the studding, lath, plastering, and nails, with the several parts thereof. And we dedicate this room unto thee, O our Father, the walls and the stones of which they are built, with the sand and lime, and all timbers which rest in the walls, the joists and their bridging, and the double floors which rest upon the joists, and the nails and fastenings thereof, and the plaster upon the walls, and the ornamental cornice and the centre ornament, and the materials of which they are composed, and the stove and fixtures within this room, together with the windows, their casings, weights and cords, sash, glass, putty and paint. We ask thy blessing upon the altar which stands within this room, which we dedicate and consecrate unto thee, the Lord our God, for the performance of the sealing ordinance, that the hearts of the fathers may be turned to the children and the hearts of the children to the fathers. Sanctify to this purpose the boards, nails and fastenings and paint, and the cushions upon the altar, and the materials of which they are composed. All these things, severally and collectively, we dedicate unto the fulfilling of thy glorious purposes in the earth. Bless those who have labored upon this building and those who shall administer the ordinances herein. Bless thine aged servant, President Brigham Young with strength to labor in this building as seemeth good unto thee, righteous Father, and now we dedicate and consecrate ourselves, all we have, with this congregation, unto thee, oh God, in the name of Jesus, our Redeemer. Amen."

After prayer, on returning to the lower room, Elders SNOW and WOODRUFF made a few remarks pertaining to the work to be performed in the Temple, after which President BRIGHAM YOUNG arose, walked into the stand, and made the following remarks—

Remarks by President Brigham Young, at the Temple, St. George, January 1, 1877.

"I cannot consent in my feelings to retire from this house without exercising my strength, the strength of my lungs, stomach and speaking organs, in speaking to this people. I hardly dare say what is in my heart to say to this people. Perhaps it would not be prudent, but I will say a few encouraging things to the Latter-day Saints, that is, they ought to be encouraging. We that are here are enjoying a privilege that we have no knowledge of any other people enjoying since the days of Adam, that is, to have a temple completed, wherein all the ordinances of the house of God can be bestowed upon his people. Brethren and sisters, do you understand this? It seems that a great many of the people know nothing about it. It is true that Solomon built a temple for the purpose of giving endowments, but from what we can learn of the history of that time they gave very few if any endowments, and one of the high priests was murdered by wicked and corrupt men, who had already begun to apostatize, because he would not reveal those things appertaining to the Priesthood that were forbidden him to reveal until he came to the proper place. I will not say but what Enoch had temples and officiated therein, but we have no account of it. We know that he raised up a people so pure and holy that they were not permitted to remain with the wicked inhabitants of the earth, but were taken to another place. We as Latter-day Saints have been laboring for over forty years, and the revelations given us in the first were to establish the kingdom by gathering the Saints, building temples, and or-

ganizing the people as the family of heaven here on the earth. We reared up a temple in Kirtland, but we had no basement in it, nor a font nor preparations to give endowments for the living or the dead. It was left by the Saints before it was completed, they going to Missouri. Joseph located the site for the Temple Block in Jackson County, Missouri, and pointed out the south-east corner of the Temple in the year 1831, also laid the corner stone for a temple in Far West, Caldwell County, Mo. These temples were not built. We built one in Nauvoo. I could pick out several before me now that were there when it was built, and know just how much was finished and what was done. It is true we left brethren there with instructions to finish it, and they got it nearly completed before it was burned, but the Saints did not enjoy it. Now we have a temple which will all be finished in a few days, and of which there is enough completed to commence work therein which has not been done since the days of Adam, that we have any knowledge of. Now those that can see the spiritual atmosphere can see that many of the Saints are still glued to this earth and lusting and longing after the things of this world, in which there is no profit. It is true, we should look after the things of this world and devote all to the building up of the kingdom of God. According to the present feelings of many of our brethren they would arrogate to themselves this world and all that pertains to it, and cease not day nor night to see that it was devoted to the building up of the kingdom of the devil, and if they had the power they would build a railroad to carry it to hell and establish themselves there. Where are the eyes and the hearts of this people? Where is their interest for their own salvation and that of their forefathers? We enjoy privileges that are enjoyed by no one else on the face of the earth. Suppose we were awake to this thing, namely, the salvation of the human family, this house would be crowded, as we hope it will be, from Monday morning until Saturday night. This house was built here in this place purposely, where it is warm and pleasant in the winter time, and comfortable to work, also for the Lamanites and all those coming from the south and other places to receive their endowments and other blessings. What do you suppose the fathers would say if they could speak from the dead? Would they not say, "We have lain here thousands of years, here in this prison house, waiting for this dispensation to come? Here we are, bound and fettered, in the association of those who are filthy?" What would they whisper in our ears? Why if they had the power the very thunders of heaven would be in our ears, if we could but realize the importance of the work we are engaged in. All the angels in heaven are looking at this little handful of people, and stimulating them to the salvation of the human family. So also are the devils in hell looking at this people too, and trying to overthrow us, and the people are still shaking hands with the servants of the devil, instead of sanctifying themselves and calling upon the Lord and doing the work which he has commanded us and put into our hands to do. When I think upon this subject, I want the tongues of seven thunders to wake up the people. Can the fathers be saved without us? No. Can we be saved without them? No, and if we do not wake up and cease to long after the things of this earth we will find that we as individuals will go down to hell, although the Lord will preserve a people unto himself. Now we are ready to give endowments, do you have any feelings for those who have died without having the gospel? The spirit was awakened in the people in the north when we gave the word that we should do no more work in the Endowment House—they came to us crying and pleading to be baptized for their dead. What else could they do? They can come here and do the work for their dead, and put these poor prisoners on the ground where they will be free. Do we realize this? As long as we tarry here, we are subject to the world. But now go to, like men and women, and say, we will embrace the truth and enter into the covenants of God and carry them out. Then the bonds are broken and the hearts of the people are united in the Father. Perhaps, brethren and sisters, you will not get my meaning, but now

go to work and let these holes in the ground alone, and let the Gentiles alone, who would destroy us if they had the power. You are running after them, and some of our brethren are putting their wives and daughters into their society, and will go to the devil with them too, if they do not look out. I would not have a dollar on the earth if I had to get it there. It has been the Kingdom of God with me. What I have, I have got in this kingdom. Well, now, some of the Elders are running after these holes in the ground, and I see men before me in this house that have no right to be here. They are as corrupt in their hearts as they can be, and we take them by the hand and call them brother. You will go to hell, lots of you, unless you repent. You may think this is plain talk, it is not as plain as you will find by and by. If you should ever go to the gates of heaven, Jesus will say he never knew you. While you have been saying your prayers and going to your meetings and are as corrupt in your hearts as men can be. You had better stop now and repent of your sins and sin no more, while there is yet time, and before the doors are closed against you. I want to wake you up, and if I had the power to lift the veil from your eyes and let you see things as they are, you would be astonished. Not but what there are a great majority of the people as good as they know how to be. Now I will say, bless the people, that they may do better, but show some of the Elders of Israel according to their present conduct a dollar on one side and eternal life on the other, and I fear they would choose the dollar.

"We are now prepared to attend to baptizing and giving endowments, and shall appoint Tuesdays and Wednesdays for baptisms, and Thursdays and Fridays for endowments and sealings, as a standing appointment for the present.

"God bless you, Amen."
"I do not know whether the people are satisfied with the services of the dedication of the Temple or not. We should be satisfied. But I do not mean to and never expect to be satisfied until the devil is whipped and driven from off the face of the earth."

The choir sang the hymn—
"Glorious things of thee are spoken,"

and the assembly were dismissed by prayer by ELDER B. YOUNG, JR. The people passed out at the east door.

Our Country Contemporaries.

Ogden Junction, Jan. 8—
At the special meeting of the stockholders of the Ogden Iron Manufacturing Company, held yesterday, a proposition was unanimously agreed upon, which, if carried out, will enable the company to start the furnace again at an early day, and to carry the enterprise on to success.

By letter from W. Hoge, Esq., of Paris, we learn that the Bear Lakers are having an extremely mild winter, the roads being dry and dusty.

Ogden Junction, Jan. 10—
Charley Bume went west last night to receive surgical treatment in the Sacramento hospital. He was uncoupling cars on the C. P. Sunday night and had one of his hands badly crushed. The C. P. Company will pay all expenses on his going to hospital, and that is why he went, not because we have no skilful surgeons in Ogden.

On Sunday next, January 14th, meetings will be resumed in the Ogden Tabernacle, commencing at 11 a. m. The people of Ogden have been deprived for a long time of public services in the Tabernacle, and will hail with pleasure the reopening of their principal place of worship.

MARRIED.
JARMAN-MYERS—On New Year's Day, 1877, by Rev. G. W. Pierce, at the residence of Mrs. J. Coulam, Senr., MR. JARMAN, of Salt Lake City, to ANNA M. MYERS, widow of the late Hon. C. H. Myers, U. S. Senator from Ohio.

Holloway's Ointment.—Erysipelas and all inflammatory diseases yield to a diligent use of this powerful preparation. In the foot, hand and neck, their approach, should be checked at once—if suppurated on sores, danger is imminent, and the knife cannot be employed without jeopardizing life. This Ointment will remove the disorder, without cutting, pain or peril. 25 cents per box or pot.