

in Ohio, headquarters at Columbus Grove, O.; Jesse M. Baker and an Elder to come from Zion, in Central Indiana, headquarters at Robison, Greene county, Ind.; Truman H. Barlow and W. A. Garrett in Southern Indiana, headquarters at Taswell, Crawford county, Ind.; and Christian Munk and Benj. F. Peel in Illinois, headquarters at Pulley's Mills, Williamson county, Illinois. Those wishing to write the Elders should address letters to their respective headquarters.

Both Saints and friends treated the Elders with great kindness during their stay and we believe some good will result from the visit.

JESSE M. BAKER,
Conference Clerk.

COLUMBUS GROVE, Ohio,
March 23, 1893.

RYAN'S AND HIGNEY'S MEN.

The light recently thrown on the operations of the street department by the NEWS has caused no small amount of favorable comment. A correspondent who claims to be on the inside says with reference to where it is supposed this paper obtained its information, "Higney places the whole thing on Fitzgerald, Kelly, the councilman, and Colonel Ed Kelly, the sport. He also thinks Rich has something to do with it. The Tuscaroras will have a meeting of inquiry, and if Rich is doing this, they say, they will get him out of the Council. The poor man who wrote the reply to your article on the tamperers is one Sullivan, from Montana, but three weeks.

"A man named James Lynch was discharged yesterday. He lives on First street and is a property owner and a taxpayer. The reason was he refused to contribute to the fund that Connors took up to make Judge Powers' 'tongue sweat' in getting offices for the 'Dusky Roarers' at Washington.

"Higney thinks Connors talked too much on his last spree. He also thinks they will have to do something with Ryan. What has become of the cry of Powers, Allen, Newton and Glenn and the likes of them, of Salt Lake work for Salt Lake workmen?

"Captain Riley says that Ryan and his crowd have got to be too big for the fellows who put them in office and look and act as though they owned the earth. He does not believe that the Liberals care much for Higney. His votes and money are all they have any use for.

"Shelton says Ryan has been imposed on by men whom he thinks are friends but who are enemies. The men who know everything about Ryan belong to the same lodge as himself and Connors. Ryan has got good all at once though, as he has given orders to his men not to smoke or talk while at work, and especially be careful what they say to strangers.

"The worst side man will have his game going to night. His brother and brother-in-law have the running of the game. They say they will make it hot for the man who does them dirt.

"Higney is the Tuscarora employment agent and recommends to Ryan what he wants. The Ryan men are charged \$5 per week for board and the railroad men only \$4. The letter which appeared in the Tribune was not written by Ryan, although his name

was signed to it. Even though Ryan's and Shelton's and Harvey's men don't work very hard they complain because their bosses don't begin till late in the morning and quit about 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon, while they have to stick to it from 8 until 5. The gang is getting excited, but you can rest assured that this is hardly the beginning.

"'Tis a strange crowd of which I am writing. They are like the man who stole the mill and went back after the sawdust. They will grab all they can. Ryan says he is a Democrat, but I defy him to prove it. He is a corker from away up the creek. A fellow on the emergency gang says he has been afraid for a long time that someone would 'leak,' and now his fears are confirmed.

"Higney says Baskin will never see daylight again in political matters. The outfit is also after Councilman Kelly and if he don't look out they will down him.

"There is great excitement among the men; they all read the NEWS. They have all been told to work better because your paper is after them. Mr. McCormick got after Ryan about having so many young unmarried men at work, but it didn't do any good. One of the gang says we have got Rich in a fix and that he can't get out of it. It is something about his trip to California."

HOME FROM THE SOUTH.

Elders Alma H. West of the Sixth ward of this city and Louis Adams of Teasdale, Wayne county, called at the NEWS office this afternoon, having just returned from a mission to the Southern States, for which part of the country they left Salt Lake on the fourth day of March, 1891. Elder West had charge of the East Tennessee Conference for a year and a half. They both labored in that district until their release. They enjoyed good health and excellent spirits and return in that condition. They were quite successful in their labors and have nothing but words of kindness for the people of the South.

Elder H. F. Stout, of Rockville, Washington county, returned on Saturday, March 25, from a mission to the Southern States, where he has been laboring in the Middle Tennessee conference. He left for his field of labor April 23, 1891, and says he has met with good success. He feels well in every respect.

Elder George E. Abel, of American Fork, returned this morning from a mission to the Samoan Islands. He left home on April 1st, 1890, and during the first eighteen months labored in Tutuila; the remainder of the time was spent in Upolu. He reports that he was well received wherever he went, and met with encouraging success. The work in that part of the mission field, Elder Abel says, is prospering. He returns to Utah in the best of health.

Last evening Elder Henry L. Bassett of this city, called at the NEWS. He returned on Tuesday from a mission to the Samoan islands. His departure for that field of labor was in June, 1890. His health was not the best, but he was able to prosecute his duties as a missionary, and returns home in the best of spirits.

REPORT FROM SAN JUAN.

BLUFF, San Juan county, Utah, March 21, 1893.—We have had a very dry winter, in consequence of which our cattle have suffered more than any winter since our people settled in this country. Our winter loss will be heavy on cattle. The sheep have done better; we are now about ready to commence our first shearing. The flocks are in fair condition, and an average clip of wool is expected.

There are still quite a number of gold seekers camped up and down the river from Bluff. One camp about twelve miles west of here are meeting with good success; it is said that the average washing per pan yields 2 cents. A Mr. Dempsey, one of the partners, is now on his way to Lake City, Colo., to sell some silver mines he has there and invest the means in machinery, to work his gold claim here. J. Clayton Nichols, geologist and mining expert of Grand Junction, Colo., has just paid us another visit. He stated to the writer that he had returned to ascertain what success the prospectors had met with in washing gold from their claims, with the view to putting in heavy machinery backed up with capital if his investigation should justify it. He also stated that a very rich silver mine had just been discovered on the north slope of the Ute mountains in a deep gulch leading out of McElmo Nash. This late discovery is in Montezuma county, Colo., just a little east of the line between Utah and Colorado.

There is also a good deal of excitement concerning the recent discovery of gold at South Montezuma in this county, about six miles from Monticello, near the east base of the Blue mountain. The gold is found in the rock on the sides of the canyon. It is said the assays run all the way from \$100 up into the thousands per ton.

It would appear that our hitherto isolated region was bound to become filled with people prospecting for the precious metals. For the past few months our little town has been quite lively, strangers coming and going almost daily. There were a few weeks when almost every house was converted into a tavern, some even had hotel signs up and others "meals at short notice," others "bread for sale," others "laundry," etc. Goods were bought for less than cost at points where they were purchased, and in this respect it has been quite a blessing to the people of Bluff.

We have had from ten to sixty strangers attending our public meetings on Sundays for some three months past. Without any exception they have behaved like gentlemen, and many are the inquiries made. Two out of the hundreds that have had the privilege of hearing the word preached have been baptized and joined the Church.

Our enterprising trustees are putting up a nice commodious school house built of a nice white sandstone. It will seat comfortably 100 pupils. Our worthy Bishop, Jens Neilson, and counselors are engaged in building a nice rock meeting house for the ward.

I have written our delegate, Hon. Jos. L. Rawlins, to see President Cleveland about the matter of reopen-