

Kindergarten Association—Georgiana Fox Young, superintendent.
Tabernacle Choir—Evan Stephens, leader; Joseph J. Daynes, organist; and all the members of the choir.

Scandinavian Meetings of Salt Lake City—Anders W. Winberg, president; S. P. Neve and Martin Christopherson, counselors.

German Meetings—Arnold H. Schultze, president; Henry Reiser and Herman Grether, counselors.

Scandinavian Meetings at South Cottonwood—Charles Holm.

Elder George B. Margetts as choir usher at the Tabernacle, and aids.

Elder Angus M. Cannon, president of the Stake, was the first speaker. He was reminded by the remarks made Saturday by President Smith, of Lehi, who, when partaking of the fruit of the tree of life, regretted that Laman and Lemuel were not there also. The Bishops were admonished to use every effort to see that their flocks were fed with the bread of life, in conference and other meetings; so with the heads of other bodies in the Church. Without the love of God blindness and barrenness would possess the hearts of the people of God, notwithstanding the promises made that they should escape the destruction to be brought upon the wicked. This promise was made under the condition of faithfulness and righteousness. Some neglect was manifest in the case of Bishops, Teachers and heads of families in watching over their charge. The incident of Eli and Hannah was referred to to show the punishment following the neglect of duty, and the reward of humility. No matter how humble the family they would not be beyond the reach of the salvation of God and the glory promised to the faithful. The father, as head and patriarch over his family, should magnify his calling and consider it most honorable. Brother Cannon described his vengeful feelings upon witnessing the driving of the Saints to the western deserts, but felt to rejoice in the testimony subsequently given and the covenant made between God and him, which he had attempted faithfully to keep. He described some of the visions vouchsafed him from the Lord, and made application of them to warn himself and others against light-mindedness and shrinking from responsibility, and to show the glory which would reward the faithful performance of duty. He closed by invoking a blessing upon the people.

The choir sang the anthem:

From afar, gracious Lord, thou didst gather thy flock.

Elder George Teasdale, of the council of Apostles, was the next speaker. The spirit through which the Priesthood operates should be possessed by all the people, to the accomplishment of their salvation and the building up of the kingdom of God. He suggested the more extensive reading of Scripture in the families of the Saints, that all might come to an understanding of the principles of salvation, and a willingness to live up to them. The speaker read a portion of the Epistles of the Apostles James and John to illustrate the principles of truth as given to the people through the spirit of revelation. The tendency of men

to engage in undue speculation on matters pertaining to the Scriptures and on religion, discarding the element of revelation, was deprecated. The proper means of salvation was a combination of faith and works. He referred to the light that had come upon the people through the Holy Ghost, and commended its cultivation at the expense of the follies and follies of the world. The saving power of the Gospel was not to be found in man-made systems of religion, but the message of God as given through the latter-day Saints required men to obey God and acknowledge His hand in all things. The brief and unsatisfying nature of the pleasures and glories of the world was described and the enduring qualities of the truth contrasted therewith. The necessity of each one leading a pure and righteous life was emphasized, as also the saving efficacy of the Gospel of Christ. But these principles were of individual application, and each must see to himself without consideration of the weaknesses of others. The speaker closed with a testimony of the truth of the Gospel, and the picturing of the punishments to come upon those who prove recreant, and the rewards to follow the faithful.

The conference was adjourned to Saturday, Sept. 11, at 10 a. m.

The choir sang the anthem,

Glory be to God.

Benediction by Elder J. G. Kimball.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

SALT LAKE CITY,

June 8, 1897.

The week ending June 7 was much colder than usual and conditions were generally unfavorable for germination and growth of crops. The temperature averaged below normal and ranged from freezing to 100 degrees. Scattered showers fell during the first part of the week, but they were generally too light to be of any material benefit to vegetation. Light to heavy frost occurred on the 2nd and 3rd, doing some slight damage to tender plants in nearly all sections of the State. Snow fell on the mountain tops during the early part of the week.

There has not been any marked improvement reported in the condition of the principal crops during the week, owing to the prevailing dryness which is having a detrimental effect on the growth of all vegetation. The dry farm crops are looking poorly for want of rain, and in many districts correspondents state that the spring grain is practically ruined and beyond recovery.

Throughout the southern portion of the State haying is general and fall grain is heading out with indications of an average yield.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Minersville—Warm days, cold nights, no frost; good growing weather.

Greenville—Warm days, cold nights with light frost May 30 and June 8; no damage.

BOXELDER COUNTY.

Gracuse Creek—Week dry and warm; lucern beginning to blossom; late sown grain slow in coming up and

will have to be watered to bring it up.

Fielding—Week cool and cloudy; crops of grain, etc., will be light; rain needed on dry lands; irrigated crops making poor growth but not for lack of water; some alfalfa cut on dryest lands; crop light.

West Portage—Week hot and sultry; much spring grain and lucern has not come up yet on account of the drought; nearly all the pears killed by frost.

Snowville—Crops growing slowly on account of northerly winds; potatoes coming up; light frost night of 2nd, but very little damage; lucern beginning to bloom.

CACHE COUNTY.

Cache Junction—Week cold with frost on June 1st and 2nd; grain and lucern suffering for rain; rivers going down.

Hyde Park—Last part of cool and cloudy with a light fall of snow on the mountains; latter part warm and dry.

Logan—Week cold and dry; grain will not make average crop this year; lucern and hay growing nicely. Slight frost June 5th.

Mendon—Very dry cold week; spring grain looks very poorly; nothing seems to grow; streams falling; fruit looks well; alfalfa doing moderately fair.

Newton—Had frost 1st and 2nd, no damage; snow on the east mountains on 2nd; grain suffering for want of rain; spring grain not all up yet; water for irrigation low; lucern doing well; waters high; fruit crop indifferent.

Smithfield—The past week has been excellent growing weather for irrigated crops; lucern beginning to bloom; strawberries ripening; and corn advancing under cultivation; dry farm grain suffering for want of moisture and late spring grain a complete failure.

EMERY COUNTY.

Ferron—Week general cool; heavy wind on 2nd followed by night frost which killed a few tender vegetables. Much waterlog yet remains to be done; water very fluctuating; much snow yet in the mountains.

Lawrence—Hard frost June 3 froze all tender vegetation.

GRAND COUNTY.

Westwater—The first crop of lucern is being cut; the crop will be heavy.

GARFIELD COUNTY.

A very pleasant week; crops looking well; nice rain May 30th; corn and potatoes being planted; very heavy winds.

Asays—The past week has been moderately fair for crops; nice shower on May 30th; frost night of 1st and 2nd doing some damage to lucern; days warm and pleasant.

Coyote—A fine growing week; fine rain May 3rd lasting two hours; on the sunburnt side of the valley the rain was accompanied by hail, which beat down the lucern and done some damage to other crops; hard frost on June 2d which killed the potatoes, damaged the lucern and made the wheat look rather bad.

JUAB COUNTY.

Levan—Wind blowing a gale from southwest Monday 8th badly lodging lucern; wind shifted to north at 6 p.m. lowering temperature to freezing point; snow on hilltops Tuesday morning; ice thickness of a sheet of paper