

eon's Quorum; Peter Johnson and Chas. S. Cram his counselors.

Brigham Young, Trustee in Trust for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Truman O. Angel, Architect for the Church.

Brigham Young, President of the Perpetual Emigration Fund to gather the poor; George A. Smith, Daniel H. Wells, and Edward Hunter his assistants for said fund.

George A. Smith, Historian and general Church Recorder, and Wilford Woodruff, his assistant.

Elder John Van Cott in some spirited and pointed remarks contended that we should govern ourselves in wisdom in our appetites and labors, and cease to be "hewers of wood and drawers of water" for those who grow strong on our weakness and fat on our leanness. As a people we have had to labor very hard to conquer this wilderness and subdue the elements around us, that we might draw a sustenance from the earth. We have labored to excess and have been unwise in so doing. We should learn to govern our lives so as to prolong them. He testified to the truth and wisdom of the teachings given during this Conference, and said the Saints should take care of themselves, exalt themselves, and sustain the interests of the Kingdom of God.

Fishburne's choir sang, "Do they pray for me at home," sweetly and touchingly.

Elder George Q. Cannon said this was a momentous period, and he felt deeply impressed with its importance. He was extremely desirous that the people should realize the full force of the course they had been pursuing. He reviewed the circumstances which had given power and influence to our enemies here in our midst; and referred to the events which occurred in Nauvoo immediately preceding the martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum. The threat is made that we will be crushed and destroyed, and this threat is not made covertly, quietly nor in a corner, but it is published in our principal city and sent forth to the world, north, south, east and west; and with it slanders the most foul and abominable have been circulated. No greater evidence of our patience, forbearance and law-abiding tendencies could be given than the fact that the author of these threats, falsehoods and slanders is not hung. He walks our streets unnoticed and unchallenged. In any other territory he would be hung up to a telegraph pole by an outraged community. If the people will not sustain the author of these outrages on themselves, let them cease sustaining those who do sustain him; for the paper he publishes is subscribed for, fostered and sustained by individuals in this city who seek the support of this people. It has been claimed that those from whom we are withdrawing our patronage here, have been the means of bringing prosperity and trade to us—that they have benefited us instead of us benefitting them. If such is the case it will not hurt them nor do them any injury for us to cease contributing our strength to them. There are among the merchants here fine gentlemen, and were they in the east he would as soon trade with them as any others; but the reason why he would trade with them there and not here, is, if they were there they would have no interest in exciting a crusade against us, they would have no fat contracts to seek for, and no reasons for creating bitterness against us that the results consequent upon it might make contracts for them to gain money by. Elder Cannon said the subject was one that should be investigated wisely and dispassionately; and he urged the people to serve God and keep His commandments.

Anthem, by the Tabernacle Choir—"O, Praise the Lord."

Prayer by Elder Lorenzo Snow.

2 p.m.

The 20th Ward choir sang the anthem "O, come, let us sing unto the Lord," composed and arranged by Brother J. J. Daynes.

Elder John Taylor offered up prayer. Br. Fishburne's choir sang "How will the Saints rejoice to tell."

President George A. Smith expressed peculiar sensations and feelings that were elicited by thinking that at every general Conference for years past our beloved brother and President, Heber C. Kimball, was with us. But now he is gone; and while we feel the loss, we cannot but rejoice that he has received the reward of his life of humility, integrity, righteousness and unswerving faithfulness.

Brother Smith reviewed at length the early history of the Church, and the

persecutions which commenced as soon as the Prophet Joseph received the plates. About forty-nine times was the Prophet brought before the courts on various charges trumped up against him, and in every instance he was acquitted. He was again arrested and without examination was lodged in prison at Carthage; and while there, though under the pledged faith of the State of Illinois, given by its governor for his security, he was basely murdered, his brother Hyrum was murdered, and Elder John Taylor who was with them received four balls.

A summary of the discourse during the time occupied by the afternoon meeting would only do it injustice, the history of the Church being brought down to the expulsion of the Saints from Nauvoo; and some interesting documents were read illustrating the historical remarks made.

The conclusion of the discourse was postponed till to-morrow morning.

"Singing, 'Rejoice in the Lord,' by the Tabernacle choir.

Prayer by Elder Brigham Young, junr.

Thursday, 8th, 10 a.m.

Singing by the 20th Ward Choir, Anthem, "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord."

Prayer by Elder Wilford Woodruff.

Bro. Fishburne's Choir sang, "An Angel from on high."

President George A. Smith continued his historical discourse.

After bringing it down to the point where the persecuted Saints reached this valley, under the guidance of President B. Young, he described the appearance of the country when they arrived, so barren-looking and burnt-up that scarcely a particle of green vegetation was to be seen, and the ground black with hideous-looking crickets, that seemed to eat up and destroy every particle of vegetation. As the trains now bring the immigrating Saints to these valleys, wheresmiling plenty and a beautiful country greet them on every hand, they cannot realize what this place then was. Yet here, having arrived in extreme destitution, many of them barefooted and almost naked, the early settlers lived and labored, under the direction of the Priesthood; and while yet in the midst of great poverty, steps were taken to gather out the Saints still left behind in the East and those in the nations of the earth. The Perpetual Emigration Fund was organized and the work of gathering commenced and has continued.

He referred to the opening of commercial houses here owned by men not belonging to the Church, and to the vast sums of money made by them in an incredibly short time. The Buchanan expedition was alluded to, and the fact noted that it destroyed and wasted forty millions of dollars of money belonging to government, and that was all it did. It is said by some that the money brought into the country by that expedition, and the merchandising consequent upon it, were a source of great prosperity to the people. But the flour which government paid twenty-eight and a half dollars a hundred for, was bought from the Saints at about five dollars a hundred, and paid for in poor goods. The men who had made money from us had not employed it for the benefit of the Saints, but they had used their influence and means to add to our troubles and heap injuries upon us. Papers have been sustained from such sources that have spread abroad and persistently circulated the most vile and false calumnies against us; and that have called us assassins, cut-throats, vile and abominable; and represented our religion and institutions in the most odious light which corrupt imaginations can suggest, to stir up enmity against us, and to send armed bodies here to destroy our lives and property, and drive us from our homes. We crossed the great plains to come here and serve God. Shall we do so; or shall we forget the object of our gathering together? Shall we continue to sustain an influence and a power that would destroy us, and have the responsibility of our destruction upon our own heads; or shall we sustain righteousness, truth, virtue and the Kingdom of God? He would fellowship no one who would give aid to strengthening the power of evil; and he exhorted the Saints to fellowship no one who would not sustain the Zion of God.

Singing "Hard times come again no more," by Bro. Fishburne's choir.

President B. Young instructed the Saints on the principles of salvation, and treated on a number of subjects. A synopsis of his discourse would convey a very inadequate idea of it; and as it was reported in full we direct attention to it when published.

The Tabernacle Choir sang "Glory be to God in the highest."

Prayer by Elder E. L. Sloan.

2 p.m.

Singing by the 20th Ward choir; anthem, "Praise ye the Lord."

Prayer by Elder Franklin D. Richards. Bro. Fishburne's choir sang, "Now pray we for our country."

President D. H. Wells spoke of the overruling providences of the Almighty in our behalf, manifested in the prosperity and progress of the Saints. But the blessings He has bestowed upon us cannot be enjoyed by us unless we are obedient; and we must prove by our actions that we will employ those blessings to further the cause of truth, and not aid in building up the kingdom of the evil one. We have gathered out from the nations and we have desired to see our children trained up uncontaminated with the errors and false opinions existing in the world; but we must keep ourselves separate and apart from the society of the wicked, or we shall have with us the iniquity and wickedness of the babylon from which we have gathered. We do not expect to cease communication with the outside world. We are on the highway of the nations, and we expect many will come here. Some will wish to remain, which they have a perfect right to do; but we must keep ourselves uncontaminated by wickedness; we must preserve our own interests and sustain ourselves, and we must build up the kingdom of God, or He will find a people who will do it and keep His commandments in all things.

The names of the following brethren, from the places specified, were then presented to the Conference to go on a mission to the Southern settlements, and were unanimously sustained:

Albert W. Davies, Adam Spiers, Geo. Naylor, B. L. Adams, Ward Pack, Alfred Lampson, William Asper, S. L. Sprague, Jr., Jno. Houtz, Elliot Hartwell, Silvester Jackman, W. L. N. Allen, Boyd Stewart, John W. Chamberlain, David Stewart, Barnard Rigby, Fred. Heath, George Goodrich, William Atkins, John Wayman, Amos Neff, Isaac Groo, Moses Thurston, Charles B. Taylor, Wm. Red, Daniel Seegmiller, Charles Seegmiller, James Vantassel, John Gabbott, Smith Bros.

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Payson—Daniel Stark, — Curtis, William Heaton, Joseph Tanner, William Whiteman, Jesse Taylor, Newell Potter, John Burr, John W. Keil.

American Fork—Arza Adams, Alexander Nichol, Henry Chipman, Steven Mott, Alexander Miller, William Robinson, Nathan Adams, William Kelly.

Springville.—Elmer Taylor, Lyman S. Wood, — Bird, Lorenzo Johnson, Richard Thorn, Nelson Spafford.

Nephi—Samuel Claridge, Samuel Linton, Charles Foote, George Harmon, Israel Hoyt, John Esplin, Thomas Vicors.

Battle Creek—Ben. W. Driggs, Chauncey Bacon, Henson Walker, John Long. Bountiful—William S. Muir, Israel Barlow, Jun., David Thackerel, Thomas James, David Thompson, Brigham Y. Baird, Christian Christiansen, Thomas Atkinson, Peter Corney, Chester Call.

Farmington.—Job Welling, David Hess, Oliver Robinson, Thomas Grover, Jr., David Saunders, Alma Hayes, Philander Brown, Elias Van Fleit, Lorenzo Watson, Thomas Steids.

Centreville.—William Myers, Ira Parks, Z. Cheeny, Michael Gams, Lyman Leavitt, Thomas Stolorthy, Chas. Hogg, John Myers, George Leavitt.

Coalville.—Hyrum Eldredge.

West Jordan—John Benion, Samuel Egbert, John Egbert, Robert Pickston, Samuel Bateman, Joseph Bateman, Benj. Cutler.

Mill Creek—Edward Pugh, James Miller.

Grantsville—Aroet Hale, Ara W. Sabin, James Karl.

Tooele—David H. Leonard, Robert McHendrie, Peter Phister, George Coleman, Captain John Gillespie, Wm. A. Picket, Orson P. Bates, Enos Stookey.

Herriman's Fort—Thomas Butterfield.

Draperville—Joseph G. Brown.

Kaysville—Geo. Stevens, William A. Flint, Robert Egbert, James Shearer, John Weaver, James Green, James Sheen.

Big Cottonwood—James Spillet, Daniel G. Bryan, Charles Bagley, Preston Lewis, Wm. Newman, Samuel Rich, Duncan S. Casper.

Provo City—Martin W. Mills, Riley G. Clark, Samuel Pratt, Zenos T. Pratt, Wm. Brown, Alfred D. Young, Benjamin K. Bullock, Thos. B. Clark,

Lyman L. Wood, Benjamin M. Roberts, James Stratton, John H. Carter, James C. Snow, George Baum, Caleb C. Baldwin, Hiram Pratt.

Morgan County—Sanford Porter, Ogden City—Chauncey W. West, Jun., Nathaniel Leavitt.

President B. Young then addressed the Conference on a number of subjects. His remarks were reported in full for publication.

The name of Elder Joseph W. Young, who was appointed last winter to go south and assist President Erastus Snow, was presented to the Conference, by the President, who unanimously voted that he should fill the mission and be blessed and prospered.

Conference was then adjourned till April 6th, 1869, at 10 o'clock in the morning, to meet in the New Tabernacle.

Singing "Children of Zion awake from thy sadness," by the Tabernacle choir.

President Young pronounced the closing benediction.

E. L. SLOAN,
Clerk of Conference.

A new Paris brooch is an enameled branch of fig leaves bearing fruit. Each fig is a stumpy, pear shaped pearl. A thick serpent of precious stones coils in the centre, but instead of spitting out venom, it holds a large diamond out on its forked tongue.

The opening of King Rufas' tomb has led to a charge that all the relics found in the sarcophagus were not put back. It is even hinted that some of the royal bones were retained by relic fanciers and carried away to secret places. This notwithstanding a sharp watch was kept on all parties suspected of being none too good to filch a part of the remains.

The following affecting lines may be found upon a tombstone in Connecticut:

Here lies cut down like unripe fruit,
The wife of Deacon Amos Sauter;
She died of drinking too much coffee,
Anno Domini eighteen forty.

In the same churchyard:

Here lies the wife of Roger Martin.
She was a good wife to Roger, that's sartin,
The manner of her death was thus,
She was druv over by a bus.

The following is a Spanish epitaph upon a young girl who died broken-hearted:

She who died beneath this stone
Died of constancy alone,
Fear not, approach, oh! passer-by—
Of naught contagious did she die.

ESTRAYS.

From Lehi.

Cow, 10 years old, roan sides, white back and belly, a heart on left side and left thigh, crop off right ear, slit in left, one horn off.

Cow, 10 years old, red and white, A M on left hip, a heart on left side, a cross on left horn. Has a calf.

Heifer, 2 years old, dark red spot in forehead, under notch in both ears.

Heifer, 1 year old, pale red and white.
Steer, 1 year old, roan, brand on left hip and left side illegible.

From Springville.

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BRIGHAM YOUNG.

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