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INTERESTING DETAILS OF THE SANCTUARIES OF THE JEWS.

The Tabernacle in the Wilderness. Various Temples in Jerusalem. Sacred Buildings Reared by the Latter-day Saints.

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On the occasion of laying the capstone of the Salt Lake City Temple, it seemed appropriate to give descriptions of sacred buildings that have been erected under divine guidance in ancient and modern times. To do this in a concise and comprehensive form has been the effort of the writer.

For the data obtained in these sketches the following works have been consulted: The Bible, the two books of the Maccabees, Doctrine and Covenants, Joseph Angus' Bible-Handbook, Henry and Scott's Commentary, Josephus, Digest of the Laws of Moses, History of Joseph Smith by President George Q. Cannon, Juvenile Instructor, Geschichte des Kahl Jesmu, by Clemens, Historical Record, Andrew Jenson, Contributor, and other available works.

The dates and measurements of the ancient temples are, of course, only approximate, as the best authors do not agree on the subject. The calculations as to measurements are made on the supposition that one cubit is equal to twenty-one inches.

Israel in Egypt.

From the historical works of Moses but little is known about the religious condition of Israel while in bondage in Egypt. Not long after the death of Joseph the country changed rulers. The Hyksos kings, who had reigned as victorious invaders for about five hundred years were overthrown, after a series of battles for independence on the part of the Egyptians, and a new king arose, who was under no obligation to the descendants of Jacob. On the contrary, as a matter of policy, he took measures to exterminate them. "He made their lives bitter with hard labor in mortar, and in brick, and of all manner of labor in the field," and decreed at last that all their male infants should be killed.

That a people so situated were unable to devote their time to the rearing of [illegible]

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The Tabernacle.

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The Temple of Solomon.

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The Temple of Zerubbabel.

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The Temple of Herod.

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