

Lycurgus A. Wilson expressed his gratitude to the people of Brigham City for their hospitality, and to God for the privilege of working in the Temple.

Sister Zina D. H. Y. Smith spoke feelingly of the interests of Zion, the good of the children, and referred to the silk industry and to Temple work.

Bathsheba W. Smith said she had received her endowments under the hands of the Prophet Joseph Smith a short time before his death, and expressed her gratitude to the Saints of Box Elder Stake.

Minnie J. Snow expressed her gratitude at being numbered among the Temple workers; testified to the importance of the principle of obedience as practiced in the Temple and of reverence for the Priesthood. In closing she paid a tribute to the girls of this Stake, over whom she presides.

Samuel W. Richards bore his testimony to the grandeur of the principles of the Gospel and to the hospitality of the people here; quoted in speaking of the Temple work, "Know ye not that ye are the temples of God," and impressed the injunction on the assembly.

Adolph Madson related the occasion of the conception, with President Snow, of the idea of having this excursion; expressed feelings of the warmest friendship for his brethren here and in the Temple.

President Willford Woodruff felt it to be his duty to ask of the assembly, who have any rights to be shielded from the calamities that are coming upon the world? None except those who hold the Holy Priesthood was the answer the speaker gave. The world little knows what is in store for them, but the Prophet said in his time that the angels were waiting to reap down the earth. The speaker testified that those angels had left the portals on high and were now among the nations of the earth. A different spirit now prevailed on the earth from that formerly known, in that the storms were and would be more destructive. He testified that we should see the truth of his predictions; as to the keys of revelation and as to the endowment, and as to the principles of the eternity of the marriage covenant, he said that each and all of these blessings were given the Church by the Prophet himself. Testified as to the last address to the Twelve of the Prophet, when he said that he had received all the keys of heaven and that he had given them all to the Twelve Apostles. The speaker had received his anointings under the hands of the Prophet Joseph Smith. All we have done, however, the speaker said, is only by the power of God, and He holds the destinies of all nations in His hands. The speaker also bore testimony to the power of God in raising him up from what appeared to be his death-bed in answer to the prayers of the Latter-day Saints, just after the dedication of the Salt Lake Temple.

President George Q. Cannon thought that half-past ten was not late at such a time as we had enjoyed. He thought each one present should note the testimony of Pres. Woodruff, and of Sister Bathsheba W. Smith as to the endowments and blessings having been given

to the Church by the Prophet Joseph. He testified that it is in answer to prayer that we enjoy the peace we have and the prosperity to be seen in Zion.

Sister Zina D. H. Y. Smith testified to hearing the Prophet say that he rolled the burden of bearing off the kingdom of God upon the shoulders of the Twelve Apostles.

Brother Stevenson, in the audience, announced that he, too, was at that meeting; all were called upon to rise, who were present on that occasion, and the following named persons responded: Lucy W. K. Smith, Edward Stevenson, Margaret P. W. Young, Emmeline B. Wells, Mary A. C. Lambert, Lucy A. Nichols, William L. Watkins, Harriet W. Henderson, Presidents Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, Lorenzo Snow, Apostle Franklin D. Richards, Zina D. H. Y. Smith and Bathsheba W. Smith—fourteen in all.

The entire assembly arose and sang the "Doxology" and Apostle Franklin D. Richards pronounced the benediction.

#### MONDAY MORNING.

Orders had been issued for all to be on the road for Willard at 8:30 o'clock a. m., and soon after that time forty carriages were in line with the brass band, carrying the Stars and Stripes, in the lead.

Our most generous friends, the Mendon Silver band, who with their conductor Professor Sweeten, had generously given their services for our entertainment during the first three days of our visit, had now taken home with them the kindest wishes of the entire party, and the services of the brass band of Willard City were called to requisition.

It was after nine o'clock when we reached Three Mile Creek, where we met the Sunday school children out in force waving their handkerchiefs as the procession drew up in front of their neat and commodious meeting house. Chairs were brought out and were mounted by the First Presidency, and President Woodruff briefly addressed the children while umbrellas were held up to shield him from the sun. He specially enjoined upon the children obedience to their parents, and invoked the blessings of the Lord upon all.

President George Q. Cannon in a few words spoke of the importance of the occasion to them in seeing President Woodruff, and hoped every one of the younger children would take advantage of the privilege and become members of the Church by baptism on their eighth birthday. He told them that he would rather bury his children while they were in full faith than to have them live and leave the Church.

President Joseph F. Smith endorsed all that had been said and asked God to bless all the Sunday school children.

After a fifteen minutes' stay, during which a general hand-shaking was indulged in, the carriages were taken and, to music by the band, and amid the waving of handkerchiefs, the procession moved out.

Arriving at Willard City at 10:30 o'clock, a row of Sunday school children on either side of the street waved a greeting as the procession filed between, and the dusty ride over was

forgotten as soon as the assembly were seated in the cool refreshingly decorated meeting house.

With Elder Rudger Clawson presiding, the exercises here were opened with a very pretty rendition of "O My Father," by a little boy and girl, the refrain being sung by the choir.

The opening prayer was offered by Edwin P. Cordon, son of Alfred Cordon, of whom President Young said when challenged by the Rev. Mr. Berry for a debate in England, "I have a boy working in the potteries of Staffordshire who can satisfy all your necessities in that respect."

"O My Mother", was next sung by members of the Temple choir.

President Wilford Woodruff read a passage from the Prophet Isaiah. Referring to the children who greeted the visitors, he said if he could read their lives and doings of forty and fifty years hence, it would be more interesting than any sermon he or anyone else could preach. He rejoiced, with Isaiah, whose prophecies were being fulfilled by the Saints in their Temple work; said the people of the world would before long come flocking to Zion to escape the scourges to come upon the earth. He urged upon the parents the importance of keeping their children virtuous, and of educating them for the work before them in preparing for the coming of the Son of Man.

President George Q. Cannon referred to the great improvements made since twenty years ago when he was here last; adverted to the purposes of the Lord to make these valleys, north to Canada and south to South America, the safety of His people and the home of human liberty. Such a place, the speaker showed, would be needed not many years hence, as the people came into greater prominence as they were destined to do, and that our position adds to this importance already. He pointed out the great designs of the Lord in our being so situated, and thought that we did not realize the importance of our present situation. He related incidents to enforce his position, and spoke of the stability of the people, deprecating the originating of factions among the Saints. He felt that God would not be true to His promises if He did not give the spirit of wise counsel to the leaders of His people. He announced the news of President Carnot's assassination in France, and thought the outlook ominous. He said there would be no place for our workmen here if we did not foster and if we lost the control of the industries of the country. He rejoiced in the good spirit prevailing among the Saints here, enjoined purity of life among the youth and closed by invoking the blessing of the Lord upon the Saints.

"The Sleigh Ride," with sleighbell accompaniment, was beautifully rendered by the Willard City choir.

President Lorenzo Snow related incidents of President Young's love for amusement; and of the Prophet Joseph's enjoyment of an Irish joke, relating one such himself. He announced Brother William C. Dunbar, for whom President Woodruff cleared the way by taking a back seat, and "If I was as young as I used to be," took the assembly by storm.

"The Western Home," a composi-