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MISSIONARY WORK IN THE SOUTH

Virginia—Two converts were bap-fized by Elders S. W. Bateman and Levi W. Reynolds, in Joyner, South-ampton county.

Atlanta Conference-Elder Paul E. Nelson and John A. Smith, who are laboring in Chattooga coun-ty, met with saints who had ty, met with saints who had been baptized thirty years ago by John Morgan. . . President Ben E. Rich visited Atlanta Aug. 24, and President Callis visited Atlanta on the 27th

Kentucky—Elders R. B. Orr and W. H. Denham, who are laboring in Livingston county, report that a large church which had formerly been closed project the scheme formerly been closed against the elders, is now at their dis-posal. . . . Elder F. L. Dyall, who has been down with malarial fever, is around again.

Alabama—President H. A. Gard-ner and seven elders held a branch conference in the Hill school house, Lindstone county, Aug. 22 and 23. Five well attended meetings were held. Three converts were baptized at , Aug. 16. . . Brother W. A. Lusk, Aug. 16. Kennedy died at his home near Laurel Hill, Aug. 17.

North Carolina—Elders J. W. Hiatt and Edward Webb baptized six con-verts at Pilot Mountain, Surrey county. Three hundred people witnessed the ceremony and listened to the address of the elders. . . . Elders W. L. Perkins and George H. Johnson found the people friendly at Kinston and held some good street meetings.

Middle Tennessee—Sister Edna Neely, who has been suffering for some time from an enlargement of the glands in the throat, and who failed to get in the throat, and who failed to get relief from medical skill, was adminis-tered to by Elders D. S. Dorrity and

George Shaw and restored to health. George Shaw and restored to health. . . . A sanctified preacher un-dertook to convert Elders J. L. Bush-man and W. D. Harris to his religion, but found to his astonishment that the elders could give a reason for the hope within them.

and the Elders continued their meetings.

Florida-A newspaper published at Meigs, Ga., commented favorably on the work being done by the Mormon The editor recommended that the elders be treated with consideration and respect, as they were entitled to liberty of conscience under the con-stitution of Georgia, . . . Presi-dent O, W. Hyde and J. W. Blazzard held a good meeting in a Methodist church at Dane Point. When the elders had concluded their yemerks a Meri had concluded their remarks, a Mrs. Sellers requested permission to make a statement. She said she was not a Mormon but that she believed the elders were the true servants of God and that she had seen the power of God made manifest in her family through the administration of the Elders

. Mr. L. J. Gunn of Tyler, Fla., wired for the elders to come and administer to his daughter who w sick. Elder James H. Moore answered the request and the next day the young lady was able to be up and around.



• CHURCH MISSION ADDRESSES

For the convenience of travelers, the Deseret News gives herewith the addresses of the various missions of the Church where this paper will always be found on file, and where travelers will receive courteous attention:

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cics have been fulfilled. 6. The Book of Mormon teaches

new truths. The discussion was conducted on a high plane and a most excellent spirit prevailed in all the services. NEPHI JENSON.

NORTHERN STATES **MISSION NOTES**

Elder M. M. Dahle, who has been conference, was suddenly attacked with appendicitis on the 24th of last month. He was immediately brought to Chicago and placed in the Wesley hospital, where he was successfully operated upon by Dr. Samuel J. Rus-sel, a prominent physician of Chi-cago and a faithful member of our branch. Elder Dahle is steadily im-

Aug. 24, four new elders reported here, Elder John P. McGuire, Orson Madsen, R. S. Nielsen and Newell Call, W. D. VAN DYKE. Secretary.

Following is the conv of a letter received from an enquirer after the truth:

Arno, Texas, Aug. 31, 1908. Northern States Mission, Chicago, Ill. Dear Brothers in Christ-Some time ago one of your missionaries was in Roswell, New Mexico. At the same time I was living there and procured some literature from him concerning the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. I was struck with the way You prove your "plan of solution" day Saints. I was struck with the way you prove your "plan of salvation." Living out here as I do, and having no way to join you and be baptized, I write to you for information as to the near-est mission to me. I wish to join the Church and if possible become a mis-sionary to my people in South Ameri-ca. I am one-fourth Indian. I have great friends among my tribe and will be able to convert many of them. Many tribes farther back in the interior are complete cannibals. I could go among

complete canibals. I could go among them unharmed and unarmed and preach the gospel. You will pardon my penmanship as English is not my native tongue and always puzzles me. Any information you can give me will be greatly appreciated. Enclosed find check for 50 cents; for which please send me the Book of Mor-mon, and oblige. J. T. L.

PROTESTS AGAINST FALSE REPORTS

The following letter from Mr Edward Tripp, a merchant tailor of Amwell street, Roseberry avenue, London E. C., was published in the Millennial Star of Sept. 3: "To the Editor of the Millennial Star." "To the Editor of the Millennial Star. "Sir: I am surprised to find by a perusal of the current number of the Star that a provincial newspaper of the reputation and standing of the Liverpool Post and Mercury has al-lowed itself to be led into an attack upon the Mormon people by the nar-rowninded bigotry of a clergyman who would, had he lived in the days of the Inquisition, have probably de-sired that every body should be placed upon the rack who dared to hold dif-ferent religious views to his own. I am glad to say the London news-papers have long since got past atam giad to say the London news-papers have long since got past at-tacking the Mormon people. There are now sufficient people in London who, like myself, have visited Utah and know the truth about the Morand know the truth about the Mor-mon principles and teachings to give the lie to the libelous nonsense which appears to be served up by the Rev. Bartlett and the Liverpool Post, for local consumption. The only thing I have seen published in London at-tacking the Mormons for a long time past is a book written by Miss Wini-fred Graham, in which the writer showed deplorable ignorance of the whole subject, and stated she had written the book to warn the women of England against the snares of Mormonism, for which warning, she charged six shillings per copy. Even at this price, I believe the venture has proved a financial failure. I wrote a strong criticism of the book, but met the same fate as yourself from the newspaper which was advertising it; they did not insert it. I would strongly advise the Rev. Bartlett to be careful not to sink too much mon-ey in the 'twopence halfpenny' pamphlet, in case he may have under-estimated the intelligence of the peo-ple of Liverpool. If he sincerely be-lieves the Mormons are a menace and a danger to the people of this coun-try, let him open up a subscription list among his congregation that they may send him to Utah to investigate mon principles and teachings to give



HEADQUARTERS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN L. D. S. CONFERENCE. Reading from Left to Right-Elders Belnap, Cox, Heaton, Amussen and President H. L. Hall,

fice of the White Star Line. On Aug. 15 the s. s. Republic booked through the Latter-day Saints office at Liverpool 106 passengers, not all Mormons. Twenty-three of them were children under 12 years of age with their par-ents, there were 37 grown males, and the remaining 46 included married women with their husbands, or who were going out to join their husbands who had preceded them, and five young women from England who were not ice of the White Star Line. On Aug UNION STAKE CONFERENCE. The quarterly conference of the Union The quarterly conference of the Union stake of Zion convened Saturday, Sept. 12, and continued Sunday. The people were favored with the presence and eloquence of Elders O. F. Whitney and Rulon S. Wells of the general authori-ties. There was indeed a feast of the gospel given by these brethren, and on the Sunday afternoon the sermon on the Sunday afternoon the sermor vomen from England who were not inspiring, Many non-members of the Church were in the audience, and gave married but were going with their par-ents' consent to join relatives and friends, 1 am in a position to know that the Mormon elders are emphaticlose attention to the address.

ally instructed that they must not give promises of good homes or any induce-ments of that kind to converts, or try in any way to coerce them to go to Utah. In a recent issue of the Latter-day Saint Millennial Star, the president of the European mission made this very emphatic statement, 'that if he should hear of any elder making any arrange-ment or agreement with girls in this country while on their mission, looking country while on their mission, looking to future engagement or marital rela-tions, he is at once released from his mission to return to his home, and that not in honor.' So much for the infamous slander and falsehood that Mormon elders are engaged in a 'wife-hunting crusade.' It is very strange that we so often hear that from the far-off shores of America there are to be deportations of Mormon converts, but never hear of any returning to England because of such deportation. It is absolutely false.'' It is absolutely false." Wright.

'To the Editor of the Bradford Daily

"To the Editor of the Bradford Daily Telegraph: "Sir—In the issue of your valuable paper of Aug. 25 appears an article un-der the caption, 'Mormons and English Girls.' In justice to the Mormon cause and the people who have accepted that faith in this vicinity I wish to em-phatically dany the uneubstanticat as phatically deny the unsubstantiated as-sertion that '54' girls have been ordered deported by the United States govern-ment officials, who were being brought to America by Mormon missionaries. I am in a position to know, and do firm-ly aver that no such company has recently left the English shores as a reto their faith. The Mormons are not engaged in such business. They are preaching the message of a restored gospel, and encourage their members to⁵ stay in this land and assist them in their work by building up a congrega-tion and living down in the land. tion and living down in their daily lives the evil reports that have been circulated about their doctrines. It is such bits of fiction that find way into tendance at the conference was ex-cellent. On Saturday morning those present were mostly stake and ward authorities—265 being the total number in attendance; in the afternoon there were 460 present; on Sunday morning, 1,035, and on Sunday afternoon, 1,225. Since the last conference, ward con-ferences have been held in all of the wards, at each of which a member of the stake presidency has been in at-tendance, or some one appointed by tendance at the conference was ex-

the stake presidency has been in a tendance, or some one appointed by them. The wards are all fully orthem. The wards are all fully of-ganized, and generally in a healthy and thriving condition. Everybody recognizes the high stand-ing of the stake academy and the ef-ficient work it is doing. It is gratify-ing to announce that it will open again on the 21st of September for regular school work A missionary class will

These brethren addressed the saints at all meetings. Nine nominees for the office of sev

school work. A missionary class will be conducted as heretofore, and the bishops are asked to recommend suit-able young men to take the missionary course The visiting elders and local breth-

The visiting elders and local breth-ren were led to speak upon the first principles of the gospel. Some very good instructions were given on the bubjects of "The Atonement," "The Testimony of the Witnesses to the Book of Mormon," "The Restoration of the Gospel, as Prophesied by John the "Revelator," "The Strength of Being Clean," and "What Mormonism Stands For."

The names of the general and stake authorities were presented at the Sun-day morning session and were sus-tained by a unanimous vote. The fol-lowing were added + to the list of stake authorities: Joseph Johnson and Joseph G. Nelsen were sustained as regular members of the high councl, and Leonidas A. Meacham and William A. Skidmore and Henry J. Bodily as alternate members. James G. Smith, Nephi Y. Larsen, Charles F. Hawkes, Ulma Hansen and Thomas Spongherg were sustained as the missionary committee. Richard Jensen was sustained as a member of the Sun-day school board, Fenretta Meacham as organist in the Y. L. M. I. A. and

Raymond Maughan as secretary in the Religion class. JOHN E. DALLEY, Clerk, pro tem.

KANAB STAKE CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the Ka-nab stake was held in Kanab, Satur-day and Sunday, Sept. 5 and 6. Presldent Francis M. Lyman and Elder He-ber J. Grant of the apostles' quorum were present and delivered some very encouraging and strengthening ser-The conference was the best attend-ed for some time, only two of the high councilors and alternate high councilors were absent. Herbert E. Riggs was set apart and sustained as a member of the high council to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of John S. Carpenter as bishop of the Glendale ward. Alexander Adams was sustained and set apart as an alternate high councilor. All of the general and local authorities were unanimously sus-tained. J. G. SPENCER, Stake Clerk. Stake Clerk ST. JOSEPH CONFERENCE.



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build up and strengthen the saints in their faith. The singling was a much appreciated feature of the conference. A very interesting and profitable priesthood meeting was held Saturday evening, also a Young Men's and Young Ladies' Mutual meeting on Sunday evening.

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ovening. On Saturday afternoon Frederick W. Passey was ordained a bishop and set apart to preside over the Lanark ward apart to preside over the Lanark ward of the Bear Lake stake, in place of James Hymas, deceased, and Ernest David Hymas was set apart as first counselor and Oscar F. Parker as sec-ond counselor in the bishopric of the Lanark ward. JOHN U. STUCKI, Stake Clerk.

RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

The following elders have reported at the Church Historian's office in this city their recent return from the for-cign mission field, all, except where otherwise noted, in the best of health and spirits. In all the fields represent-ed they report the gospel work in ex-cellent condition. cellent condition.

Aug. 28.—Ell B. Rodgers, 1860 Fourth East street, this city, from the Swiss and German mission; set apart Oct. 2, 1907. Returns at this time on account of poor health.

Sept. 5.-James Cooke of Grouse Creek, Boxelder Co., Utah, from the Northern States mission; set apart Oct. 9, 196. Pre-sided over the Indiana conference the last 12 months.

Sept. 7.-John A. Crosby of Eagar, Ariz., formerly of St. Johns ward, from the Central States mission; set part Jan. 29, 1907.

Sept. 10.-William L. Burton of Mt. Pleasant, Sanpete Co., from the Southern States mission; set apart Oct. 19, 1995.

Sept. 12.-Merlin J. Bartholemew of Slaterville. Weber Co., from the Central States mission: set apart Dec. 4, 1996. Benj. Franklin Bingham, of Trenton, Cache Co., from the Central States mis-sion; set apart Oct. 2, 1996.



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three persons was sustained at conference for the purpose of inaugurating

Four members of the high council were appointed by the stake presidency, and sustained in conference, to act as aids and counselors as follows: In the Relief society, James H. Wilson; in the Y. L. M. I. A., John H. Hubbard; in the Primary association, Andrew Anderson; in the elders' quorums, Lehi

On the day preceding the conference a special meeting was appointed by the stake presidency of all stake offi-cers and workers and bishoprics for the purpose of ascertaining the meth-ods adopted in the various organizaods adopted in the various organiza-tions and in the different wards for carrying out their work. This meeting was well attended and lasted nearly five hours. Circulars were previously issued by the stake presidency to the bishops and presidents and superinten-dents of organizations embodying a number of questions relative to their work. This gave each an opportun-ity to prepare a concise reply and did much to add interest to their reports. More unity in supporting the stake

much to add interest to their reports. More unity in supporting the stake presidency and each other and each organization of this stake will result from the meeting. The general and local authorities were sustained without a dissenting voice on Sunday morning. All the or-ganizations of the stake as well as the people are united and in harmony, and forging ahead to the goal of ex-cellence. The Y, M. M. I. A. and Y. L. M. I. A.

A stake music school was established, the purport of which is to give a therthe purport of which is to give a thor-ough course in music, beginning at the first principles. It is expected that most of the wards of this stake will have a class in this school, and the instructor will visit each at regular in-tervals, and such instructors will be engaged by the term; a committee of three persons was sustained at con-

Ohio-The elders are organized into four companies and are doing crosscountry work. . . Elders W. H. Woodbury and J. E. Keller attended Sunday school Aug. 16, with the man with whom they spent the night before. At the close of the Sunday school to the surprise of the ciders, the man got up and announced that two ministers from Utah would take charge of the evening service. A large crowd greet-ed the elders and a number of people came forward at the close of the meet-ing and said thy were pleased with the doctrines they had heard. Elder J. E. Keller and companion were entertained by members of the Reor-ganized church at Creole, and they

were invited to preach in the Reorgan-

ized church on the following day. Georgia-August 16 Elders L. L. Myers and Recee Green were invited to attend services at a Baptist church. On reaching the house of worship, they learned that the pastor had failed to put in an appearance, and so the el-ders were requested to preach. At the close of the meeting a number of preaclose of the meeting a number of peo-ple invited the elders home. On the night of Aug. 19 they attended another Baptist meeting, and were invited by the pastor to preach. At the conclu-sion of another meeting Elders L. L. Myers and Rece. Green overheard a man who was present at the meeting expressing himself on the subject of Mormonism. Said he: "I believe these men are preaching the gospel of Christ, Don't you remember this man Jackson up here, when the elders called on him up here, when the enters cance on him a few years ago he mistreated them and they told him he would not pros-per. You know he has been going down, down from that day."

Mississippi—Elders D. W. Stowell and Wilford W. Clark held good meet-ings in a Christian church at Nettleton Aug. 16. The same clders were re-quested to preach from the balcony of a batic of There is a state of the same class a hotel at Tupets. They acceded to the request, and held an excellent meet-ing. ... Elder H. M. Hodgson and George J. Gray had an interesting experience in a prejudiced community. For some time it seemed that their efforts to get a house to hold meetings in would fail. But just as they were about to become disheartened, some friend came up and offered them the use of a vacant dwelling house. The elders who had been brought up under a practical religion immediately went to work and improvised a church and beld their meetings. . . Elders Cloy C. Nichols and Anthony S. Johnson have met with good treatment in Union county. In one village they were en-tertained by the best people, and the inister manifested interest in the gospel message.

East Tennessee—Eight elders, in-cluding President J. H. Batty, attend-ed a week's discussion of the divinity of the Book of Mormon, between Elder Nephi Jenson and Rev. T. E. Tomerlin at Northcut, Tenn. The de-bate started Aug. 17 and there were invo specieus and a for six days. An

bate started Aug. 17 and there were two sessions a day for six days. An average of 200 people attended all the gons. A pleasant feature of gings was the most excellent by a quartet composed of 't. H. Batty, Charles Muggles-mes Abraham, and H. R. At-At the conclusion of the dis-don, five converts were baptized o the Church of Jesus Christ of tor-day Saints. Elder Jenson A the conclusion of the dis-ston, five converts were baptized of the Church of Jesus Christ of tter-day Saints. Elder Jenson cd his arguments on the following bositions: Eihle prophecies were fulfilled f. coming forth of the Book of Morn. A. 2. Creditable witnesses testified

proving and will be out of the hospital in a short time. Although it will be some time before he gains his former strength, all feel grateful that his condition is as well as it is at

Through the illness of Elder M. M. Dahle, which will incapacitate him to perform his labors as president of the Northern to perform his labors as president of the Northern Indiana conference, Elder W. L. Wanlass of the mission office has been appointed to preside in his stead. Elder Wanlass has been acting for the past eight months as bookkeeper of this mission and has faithfully and intelligently discharged his duties in this capacity. Elder R. J. Murdock, who has been laboring in the Northern Indi-ana conference, has been called to act as bookkeeper of this mission. Elder Murdock has had considerable experience along this line, and is thoroughly capable of serving his co-laborers in this capacity. Elder J. W. Alleman, who has faithfully labored in this mission for the past 33 months, has been honor-Northern Indiana conference

the past 33 months, has been honor-ably released from his labors. Elder Alleman has acted as bookkeeper, president of the Iowa conference and Alleman president of the lowa conterence and later secretary of the mission, which position he held when he was re-leased. He has been an excellent missionary and very capable and through his council and labors, the through his council and labors, the clerical as well as the spiritual part of the mission has been greatly im-proved. Elder Alleman and his sis-ter, Menette Alleman, accompanied by Sr. Sumsion of the mission office have gone east in search of the gen-calogy of their relatives. They ex-pect to visit the large cities of the east, and the principal places of early Church history. Elder W. D. Van Dyke of the Northern Illinois conference, has been appointed secretary of the mis-sion to succeed Elder Alleman. Elder Van Dyke labored faithfully in his missionary work. He was company

missionary work. He was company leader and was loved and respected by all his eiders. Elder S. B. Fairbanks

all his elders. Elder S. B. Fairbanks has been appointed company leader in his stead. Dr. Samuel J. Russel and daughter have gone to Utah for a short visit with his mother. Dr. Russel has won distinction in his profession in Chi-cago and is in every way a credit to Utah, where he was born. He left Utah some years ago, and has a large practise in Chicago. He has been very good to our elders and to Utah people who have been here. Dozens of elders have received medical treat-ment from him free of charge. We hope he will have a pleasant trip west.

hope he will have a pleasant trip west. Elder E. W. Marchant, of the Northern Illinois conference, has been appointed to preside over the Southern Indiana conference to suc-ceed Elder James Cooke, who has been released to return home. Elder William H. Madson and his companions of the Northern Indiana conference, while holding a street meeting in Frankford, was struck on the head with a rock thrown by some unknown party who was standing in the crowd. The guilty party escaped identification and arrest. The citi-zens of Frankford deplored very much that this should have happen-ed. Elder Madson was sent to Chi-cago and his injury attended to by Dr. Russell, which proved to be only a scalp wound.

a scalp wound. Sister Bertha A. Lewis of Robinson,

a danget to the proper a subscription list among his congregation that they may send him to Utah to investigate the matter for himself. If he is an honest man he will devote the rest of his life, when he returns, to en-deavoring to catch the lies he has perhaps unwittingly circulated. I am not a Mormon; I am a member of the Church of England, and am deeply sorry our church has so many bigoted clergymen who will telerate no other seet but their own. Classical and theological knowledge is all very well, but these men need to travel well, but these men need to travel more, and their intellects and opin-ions would not become so cramped. I am well known in London. I was I am well known in London. I was born here, I have been many years a borough alderman and a justice of the peace, and I hold no brief for the Mormons. They have, however, held their meetings every Sunday in our Town hall for over ten years without the slightest pro-test by any members, although we have had during that period, at least a dozon ministers of various denominadozen ministers of various denomina-tions on the town council. I have on several occasions asked gentlemen of several occasions asked genuenien of the Bartlett type to meet me on a pub-lic platform and debate the 'Mormon' question as far as they know it and as far as I know it, but if they have accepted the challenge they have always failed to keep the appointment. Nothing would give me greater pleas-ure than to meet Mr. Bartlett and enure than to meet Mr. Bartlett and en-lighten him upon a question he evi-dently knows so little about. My knowledge of the 'Mormon' people ex-tends over 18 years. I have talked with Presidents Woodruff and Smith, Messrs, Francis M. Lyman, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Jr., Heber J. Canton, Brigham Young, Jr., Heber J.

Cannon, Brignam Young, Jr., Heber J. Grant, and a host of others. I have stayed with the people in their homes in Utah, and visited their Sunday schools, and have trusted them with a good deal of my money at various times, and I can honestly say I would far sooner trust a 'Mormon' elder than many Church of England clergymen I wave who cast thely avers un aul raise know, who cast their eyes up and raise their hands in horror when 'Mormon-ism' is alluded to. I am sorry, Mr. Editor, to take up so much of your valuable space, and to have to write so strongly. I feel, however, that it is about time that in this country of re-ligious freedom, these unchristianlike

attacks upon the 'Mormons' or any other religious denomination should be put down with a firm hand. "I remain, yours faithfully, "EDWARD H. TRIPP." The Bradford Daily Argus of Aug.

29, 1908, says: "Some time ago we published a ca-hled message from America with ref-erence to the deportation of a number of girls, two of them from England, who were stated to have been lured to Utah by 'Mormon' missionaries. We have today received a letter from Mr. J. A Rockwood, 31 Stanmore Pla Lidget Green, Bradford, in which he says:

"The White Star Steamship company "The white Star Steamship company was reported to be the carrier of these 'poor duped girls,' so I took the trouble to find out from the very head, if there was anything in the 'lurid tale,' and found that it was another of those can-ards made without a shred of truth in it, and started on foot by some scan-dal-monger, heat on Fromadure restridal-monger, bent on spreading preju-dice concerning the 'Mormon' mission-ary work. It has found way into several respectable newspapers, but with the spirit of fair play, they are now publishing the facts in the case, and giving even the 'Mormons' a just hear-ing. Facts are what have weight among people who are not blighted by religious bigotry and intolerance. For the consideration of such L give the

the consideration of such, I give the following figures and statements which can be verified by applying to the ofprint occasionally, that keep up the pnfounded prejudice against the Mormon people and causes them so much opposition and even persecution. It is time that facts, not mere assertions without foundation, should be given when speaking about the Mormons and their missionary efforts, for there are no more sincere, conscientious, self-sacrificing people under the name of

Christianity today. I could give the names of several respectable non-Mor-mon Bradfordians who have visited Salt Lake and returned, who pay a glowing tirbute to the Christian life and example of this people. They do not work in secret places, but court the nost thorough investigation, and ask only for fair play. Truth, thou art a jewel!' Let us have it at any cost. Yours, etc., J. A. ROCKWOOD."



San Diego, Cal., Scpt. 15.—The death of "Father" Samuel Sniff, for 16 years a resident of California, will be regret-ted by the many elders who have enjoyed his acquaintance. Deceased was born in Morgan county, Ohio, Dec. 24, 1826, later moving to Bloomington, III., and finally drifting out to the far west, and finally drifting out to the far west, this pioneer has had a taste of fron-tier life. During the greatest part of his stay in California San Diego has been his home. Here on the 24th of November, 1897, he and his fond wife, together with part of his family re-ceived the gospel by baptism. From that day on the Snift home has been a haven of root and choire for the Mar. haven of rest and shelter for the Mor-mon elder. "Father" Sniff was true, big, generous, grand and noble, ai-ways ready to encourage the disheartened and administer to the sick or th needy. After a long illness he died, Sept. 8 and the day following funeral services were held at the Johnsonservices were held at the Johnson-Connell undertaking parlors under the direction of the elders. President Jacob Magleby of the Los Angeles con-ference and Elder Leroy M. Morris of San Diego bore record of the good man's worth and work. Elder Alvin Keddington, assisted by Elder Elmer E. Kearns and Sister B. M. Johnson furnished beautiful music. The sorfurnished beautiful music. The ser vices were simple in their character and all that was said and done came from the heart—quite typical of the life of Brother Sniff. DEMISE OF L. A. DALE.

DEMISE OF L. A. DALE. For five years, separated from his parents and kinsfolk, Lawrence Albert Dale has been wandering up and down the strice of California, with the ex-ception of six months that he served in

ception of six months that he served in the United States navy. He came to San Diego last December and has since earned his living by painting, and joined the local painters' union. He was born over 26 years ago in Salt Lake, his father being Heber Charles Dale, his mother Betty Decker Dale. Last Friday morning, Sept. 11, he died of pleuro-pneumonia at the county hospital, leaving no information as to the present whereabouts of his father, mother, brothers or sisters. The painters' union paid his funeral expenses.

The particles differences in part instructure expenses. In the emergency, the undertakers called on the Mormon elders to con-duct the funeral exercises. Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. We gladly re-sponded, for it gave us ancher oppor-tunity to present some of the evalue tunity to present some of the exalting principles and truths, to an unbelieving orld

President Jacob Magleby of Los An geles addressed the congregation which was composed mainly of the departed man's fellow tradesmen. Their coundoctrine was new to them; and yet now that it was being unfolded to them in its beauty and splendor, one could see upon their faces many signs of deep emotion and serious thought LEROY M. MORRIS.

cellence. The Y, M. M. I. A. and Y. L. M. I. A. held a conjoint conference session Sun-day evening, at which Elders Whit-ney and Wells spoke and gave timely advice to the young men and women present, and discoursed on the prin-ciples of the gospel. JAMES HOOD, Stake Clerk. Stake Clerk.

NO. SANPETE CONFERENCE.

Moroni, Sanpete Co., Sept. 14.-The thirty-second quarterly conference of the North Sanpete stake was held at Mount Pleasant Sept. 12 and 13, 1908, President C. N. Lund presiding. The conference was favored with the presence of President Francis M. Ly-man and Elder Rudger Clawson of the council of the twelve, whose addresses to the assembled saints were replete with sound doctrine and good counsel. with sound doctrine and good counse and were highly appreciated by the conference.

Addresses were also made by Presidents C N. Lund, Peter Matson and C. W. Sorensen, and by Elder A. C. Lund of Provo. The subjects of the speakers were, report of conditions and pro-gress of the work in the stake; the preservation of sacred records; a due observance of the Sabbath day; the efficacy and necessity of prayer, and of obedience to the first principles of the gospel; the growth and permanency of the work of God in the last days; the payment of tithes and the performance of all our obligations and duties to the Lord, and vicarious work for the dead.

The names of the general and stake officers were presented and unanim-ously sustained by vote of the confer-

ence. Five very profitable and enjoyable meetings were held. The priesthood meeting and Sabath meetings were well attended by the saints of the sev-eral wards of the stake, many of whom had to travel long distances by teams, but all were well repaid by the spir-tural feast of good teachings given by

tual feast of good teachings given by the visiting elders. The Mount Pleasant choir, under the The Mount Pleasant choir, under the able leadership of Prof. Andrew Lar-sen, rendered the regular musical num-bers in a very creditable manner. Profs. A. C. Lund and Goodman, and Misses Kamp and Borg rendered a number of choice musical gems during the first session of conference, which were highly appreciated. AARON HARDY, Stake Clerk.

ONEIDA STAKE CONFERENCE.

The regular quarterly conference of the Oneida stake was held on Satur-day and Sunday, Sept. 5 and 6. The Saturday meetings were held in the auditorium of the stake academy; the Sunday services were held in the Opera House, which has recently been acquired by the stake and which will hereafter be known as the stake hous to be used for conferences and other stake purposes. This is a new, com-modious, and well finished structure which, when fully equipped with seats, will accommodate about 1,400 people. At the opening of the conference or Saturday morning, there were present of the general authorities, Elders John Henry Smith and George F. Richards, of the council of apostles, all of the stake presidency, stake patriarch, S. R. Parkinson, members of the high coun-cil and a good representation of bishops and other stake and ward officers. The Whitney choir furnished the singing for the conference and although it had but a short time in which to prepare the singing was a very interesting feature of the conference. The weather was good and consid-ering the very busy season, the at-

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The regular quarterly conference of the St. Joseph stake was held at Thatcher, Sept. 5 and 6. The meetings were well attended, and the spirit and instructions of the meetings were much enjoyed. The speaking was done by the stake

officers and other local elders, many of them being recently returned from the mission fields. All of the sermons were short and spirited, filling the soul with testimony and appreciation for

with testimony and appreciation for the gospel. A special feature of the conference was the passing of a resolution intro-duced by Elder W. T. Webb, wherein Sunday games and anusements were pronounced contrary to the spirit and genius of the gopel and to the moral welfare of the community. The resowelfare of the community. The reso-lution was open for free discussion, and as no champion of the opposition appeared, it had no dissenting vote. Reports as given showed the people to be feeling well in the gospel, and in good health. Harvests have been abundant, and the valley is still bur-

dened with its over-plenty of fruit. J. H. LARSON, Clerk.

BEAR LAKE STAKE CONFERENCE The Bear Lake stake quarterly con-ference convened Saturday, Sept. 12, at 10 a. m. in the stake tabernacle at Paris, Idaho. Elder Hyrum M. Smith of the quorum of twelve and Elder Charles H. Hart of the first council of seventy were present, also the stake presidency, high councilors, patriarch

and other leading elders. President J. R. Shepherd in his open-ing remarks showed the stake to be in a very good condition both spiritu-ally and temporally. While there was some damage done by early frosts in some parts of the stake, the loss was ompartaively light and confined most-

Elders George F. Dayton, Jesse P. Rich and Stanley Rich gave interesting reports of their labors in the Northern The instructions from the visiting brethen were full of good counsel, wisdom and exhortation calculated to

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