

RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

Elder J. B. Kendall of Oxford, Idaho, recently returned from a mission to Virginia and was a caller at the "News" office this week. He left home to engage in missionary labors on February 14, 1896. He says that a great deal of prejudice has been allayed in the state in which he has labored during the past two years and a half, and he has enjoyed a good spirit and was loth to leave the many friends who had administered to his wants while away from home.

Elder John S. Blain, of Spring City, Sanpete county, returned September 27, 1896, from a mission to Virginia, in which state he labored during his entire absence. Elder Blain left home May 15, 1896, and enjoyed his labors. He states that conditions in that section are favorable, the missionaries making good headway in promulgating the Gospel.

Elder J. W. Kay of Mona, Juab county, has also returned from a mission recently. His labors were in the Northern States mission. He left home June 28, 1896, and found the field in which he labored a fruitful and pleasant one. He was generally met with kindly favor and succeeded in sowing seeds of righteousness in the souls of many honest persons. He has had good health and is pleased to be at home again.

Elder B. J. Bennett of American Fork called on the "News" a few days ago, having returned from the California mission, for which section of mission field he left on September 3, 1896. He reports having thoroughly enjoyed his mission. He, in connection with his wife, who six months ago was set apart as a missionary, labored in the city of San Jose, where they created considerable interest during the course of open air meetings held there this summer.

Elder John P. Aydelotte of Mannassa, Colorado, returned home on October 9th from the East Tennessee conference, where he labored since October, 1896. His ministerial work was entirely confined to the eastern portion of Tennessee, where he reports good progress being made by the Mormon Elders who are laboring in that section.

Elder J. F. Wakefield from Huntington, Emery county, returned from the Southern States mission a few days ago. He labored in Alabama for fifteen months and in Kentucky for nineteen months. While in the "Blue Grass" state he acted as president of the Kentucky conference. He enjoyed excellent spirits and fair health while away from home and is now pleased to return to his kindred and friends.

Elder B. J. Killpack of Feron, Emery county, who departed for North Carolina conference on August 24, 1896, is also home. He labored in Carolina during his entire absence from home. He enjoyed the best of health until the latter part of his mission. He attended the semi-annual conference of the Church, held in this city, after which he returned to his home.

Elder R. C. Butler of Ogden, who left home for a mission to Virginia on March 20, 1896, is home again. He reports having had a very pleasant experience, having made many friends and some converts, and says he is decidedly pleased to be back to his mother home once more.

Elder J. W. Nixon arrived home a few days ago from California. He labored one year in the southern conference in that state and one year in the northern conference of the same state. He presided over the latter conference for the last six months and was very successful in the work which he says is progressing very well in that section of the country. Prejudice is fast being allayed and good feeling is taking the place of the animosities that once existed there as elsewhere. Elder Nixon's home is in Huntington, Emery county.

Elder Elias Neeley of Idaho left home on October 14, 1896, to engage in missionary labor in the Southern States. He is home again. The whole of his time while absent was spent in south Alabama, where many friends have been made and where there are constant accession to the Church.

Elder George D. Reeder of Brigham City called at this office today on his way home from the Southern States mission, where he has been laboring for the last twenty-five months, in the South Carolina conference. He reports a growing interest to be manifest in that district regarding the principles of life and salvation.

Elder George Christensen of Mount Pleasant left his home on May 9, 1896, and proceeded to Denmark, where he has been laboring for the last twenty-eight months. During the last four months of his mission he occupied the position of president of the Scandinavian mission and editor of the Weekly Church Journal, published in Copenhagen. Elder Christensen reports at this office on the occasion of his return, that the work is progressing, especially in the city of Stockholm, where there were reported at the last conference held there, 118 baptisms in five months.

Elder W. D. Turner of Murray, and late of the Liverpool conference of the British mission, reported at the "News" office yesterday. He left home July 18, 1896, and returned October 8, having spent a most profitable sojourn in England.

Elder W. H. Pitt, who left Salt Lake City for the British mission August 15, 1896, has returned. As he arrived home on his birthday, October 8th, there was cause for a double rejoicing at his home. Whilst across the seas he labored in the Norwich conference, which he reports to be prospering. He expressed himself as having derived an incalculable amount of valuable experience during his absence.

Thomas Loynd, who was president of the Missouri conference for one year previous to his return, reached home on Oct. 7, having left for his mission on June 28, 1896.

Elder J. W. Jones of Lewisville, Ida., returned Friday from his labors as a missionary in the Nebraska conference, to which section he betook himself Nov. 5, 1896. Elder Jones reports affairs prospering in Nebraska, there being a good branch there, and not a few sincere investigators of the Gospel. He says conditions for the future are quite favorable. He had good health and feels well in having discharged a duty. Elder Jones will go northward tonight, visiting relatives in Hooper and Ogden before returning to his home.

Elder Hubbard Tuttle Jr., of Spanish Fork, returned today from a mission to the Eastern States. He left this city July 18, 1896, and labored in the

Scranton, Pa., conference, where he says the work is progressing favorably. Elder Tuttle had good health and enjoyed his labors.

Joshua Selley of this city returned on Oct. 13 from the Eastern States mission. Elder Selley left here on June 27, 1896, and has labored chiefly in the West Pennsylvania conference, over which he presided for a period of sixteen months. The work in that conference has only just begun, but there are now three branches of the Church, with 300 members. The cause is in a good condition and prospects for the future are most bright.

IN THE EUROPEAN MISSION.

[Millennial Star, Sept. 29, 1896.]

Arrivals—The following named Elders from Zion arrived on the American line S. S. Waesland on Thursday, September 29, 1896. For the British Mission—James Ratcliffe, Grantsville; William Sterling, Leeds; D. C. Eccles, Ogden; Owen T. Court, West Jordan; William J. Wale, Baker City, Oregon; C. S. Buckwalter, Salt Lake City; Frank L. Layton, Kaysville; Herbert C. Burton, Kaysville; Thomas M. McCune, Nephi; E. W. Stringfellow, Salt Lake City; Joseph E. Helm, Pleasant View. For the Scandinavian Mission—Morten Jensen, Richfield; Adolph Bergen, West Jordan; John W. Larson, Collinston. For the German Mission—John E. Schoenfeld, Brighton; John Wintie, Ogden; Swen J. Neilsen, Centerfield. For the Swiss Mission—Harmon Wittwer, Santa Clara; Ernest Reber, Santa Clara; George Ritchie, Marriott. For the Netherlands Mission—Milton L. Lee, Panaca, Nevada; Alex. Nibley, Baker City, Oregon.

Appointments—The following named Elders have been appointed to labor as traveling Elders in the various conferences as follows:

David C. Eccles and Wm. Sterling, Scottish; Calvin S. Buckwalter and Erastus W. Stringfellow, Nottingham; Wm. J. Wale, Welsh; Thomas M. McCune, Norwich; Hubert C. Burton and James Ratcliffe, Leeds; Joseph E. Helm, Manchester, and Frank L. Layton and Owen T. Court, London.

Releases—Elders Peter G. Johnston of the Irish conference and Robert McKinley of the Scottish conference have been honorably released to return home on October 6, 1896, on account of failing health.

Elders A. J. Grant of the Birmingham conference, Edward E. Pike of the Cheltenham conference, Wm. J. Mawson of the Leeds conference, Geo. H. Budd of the Sheffield conference, Brice W. Sainsbury of the London conference, and Alexander Faddles of the Scottish conference have been honorably released to return home, and will sail from Glasgow on October 27, 1896.

No decision has yet been reached by the Idaho state board of pardons in the case of Diamondfield Jack.

Omaha Stockman, Oct. 17—R. C. Brownell of Kelton, Utah, brought in four cars of cattle. M. A. Smith was here from Park City, Utah, with eight double-deck cars of sheep. M. K. Parsons, a prominent patron of this market, had fourteen cars of cattle here from Salt Lake City.

The San Francisco Evening Post says that Admiral Dewey will arrive in that city on December 6th. He will come here says the Post on the steamer City of Peking, which is due to arrive on that date from the Orient. Admiral Dewey is interested in several mining enterprises on this coast, and it is these interests that prompt his coming at this time. He has written friends in this city that he has already applied for leave of absence.