

CHURCH INTELLIGENCE



THE MISSIONARY FIELDS

"Way Down in Tennessee."

Sparta, Feb. 12, 1900.

To the Editor:

No doubt it will be interesting to the readers of the "News" to see something concerning missionary work in Tennessee.

The "Mormon" Elder has a great variety of experience in his efforts to present the truth to the people. A few items in connection with distributing tracts may not be out of place. Probably some have heard of the Elders who went up to a fine house and stated to the gentleman that they were leaving some tracts with the people, whom he replied, "Well, I want you to leave some tracts here and leave them with the heels toward the house."

Nearly every Elder has had experience somewhat similar, although in many instances the invitation to leave has been a polite one. Elder J. B. Allred, president of the Middle Tennessee conference, and the writer were engaged last week in tracing the aristocratic little city of Sparta, the county seat of White county. We visited each house, distributing about 100 tracts, and were invited in the house sixteen times; the other eighty-four times we stood at the door and stated our errand something as follows: "We are Latter-day Saints, and we have tracts to distribute among the people; we have here a little tract which contains a friendly discussion upon religious subjects, and would take pleasure in leaving you one, if you have no objections."

This announcement would bring forth a variety of replies, such as: "We have the Bible and need not your books." "I am set in my belief and can't be changed," etc.

"Are you Mormons?" asked one very stylish lady. "Yes, Ma'am," was the reply. Then with a very haughty air, she turned away saying, "I have no use for you." One lady said she was a Presbyterian all over and could not be turned from that faith.

A great many of those whom we met claimed to belong to the church of God or church of Christ. Some of the latter feel that they are very much persecuted, in that they are called "Campbellites." One of them asked us publicly if we would debate with one of their preachers. We replied, "Yes, gladly, provided both sides are confined to the Bible."

To this he would not agree. We had a long talk with their preacher, Dr. Sutton. He was well armed with tracts published recently by the anti-Mormon League, consequently had no use for ours.

Having no hopes of obtaining any of the churches in the city, we applied to the sheriff and several members of the county court for permission to hold meetings in the court house, but this also has thus far been denied us. Both of the Sparta newspapers have had something to say concerning the work which the "Mormons" are doing in the neighborhood. The "Favorite" tried especially hard to cast some reflections on us and our work.

We certainly meet a variety of people. A great many are too narrow-minded to even give us a hearing, while there are a few who seem glad to get our literature and thank us for it. We trust that at least a few of the seeds thus sown may fall into good ground and bring forth fruit.

The "News" is highly appreciated by the Elders and Saints here.

Your brother in the Gospel,
EMERY BARRIS.

In Colorado.

To the Editor:

Durango, Colo., Feb. 13, 1900.

There are at present eight energetic Elders laboring in the West Colorado conference.

We are meeting with considerable indifference in by the Latter-day Saints. Although this is a comparatively new field, being less than two years since it was first opened up, there has been thirty-seven baptisms, twenty of which were performed last year.

Quite a number of people seem to be deeply interested in our doctrine. The people of western Colorado, as a general rule, are very hospitable.

The Elders have met with very good treatment so far, none of them having suffered from the persecutions of the past. The people of western Colorado, as a general rule, are very hospitable.

It is now nearly twenty months since the writer entered upon the duties of a missionary, the greater part of which has been spent in western Colorado. Quite a bit of work has been done here in Durango. Last June a conference of all the Elders in western Colorado was held here and some of the Elders continued to preach on the streets during the summer months. Very little have been done here this winter.

We have adopted the plan of working in the country districts in the winter, and the cities in the summer, when we can preach on the streets. On Jan. 15, I was joined by Elder Edward Day of Bonifant, who has labored with me as my companion since that time.

After spending a few days with the Saints in Mancos, we set out upon a missionary expedition first visiting a place called Thompson's park, where we found a small farming community, most of which were German people. We were received very kindly and succeeded in getting the Gospel before the people. We next went to Heperus, a small coal mining camp. Here we were given the use of the school house, in which we held a series of meetings. The people turned out well and many of them becoming interested, invited us to their homes. We succeeded in allaying a great deal of prejudice and had a time of rejoicing.

Sister Lautz, formerly of Salt Lake City, now residing in Hay Gulch, on hearing of us being at Heperus, sent us an invitation to visit their settlement, which was accepted. It is needless for me to say that she was pleased to meet a pair of Elders after being isolated from the Saints for nearly a year. We were also pleased to meet one that believed the same as we did and was in possession of the same spirit. We immediately began a series of meet-

ings which seemed to be enjoyed by all except a minister of the Free Methodist persuasion, who attended one of our meetings. The subject spoken upon was that of authority and Church organization. The Methodist minister had a meeting appointed for Sunday evening in the same house where we had been preaching. He abused us and told the people we were false prophets going around converting women and taking them to Utah for immoral purposes. He also told them that we had been driven from place to place on account of our immorality and warned his flock against us. This, however, made the people more friendly and caused them to come out and hear us.

The Lord always overrules things for the good of his people, when they are performing the duties devolving upon them.

The "News" is a welcome visitor and is appreciated by all the Elders in this conference.

Anyone having relatives or friends in this vicinity, if they will send their addresses, we will be pleased to call on them.

Your brother in the Gospel,
C. S. BUCKWALTER.

Elder's Quorum.

East Jordan, Feb. 13, 1900.

To the Editor:

The First quorum of Elders in the Jordan Stake of Zion was organized today at West Jordan by the Presidency of the Stake, Wm. L. Bateman was chosen president, with James E. Moss of East Jordan and Thomas Finlayson of West Jordan as his counselors.

The quorum comprises the Elders residing in East and West Jordan wards. Elder Bateman has been several years president over the Twelfth quorum of Elders in the Salt Lake Stake, embracing, in addition to the wards named, North Jordan, now in the Granite Stake.

Elder Orrin P. Miller, the president of the Stake, and his counselors will visit Granite ward next Sunday to set in order the quorum of Elders at that place.

Next Sunday also the wards of the new Stake will be visited by home missionaries.

Liverpool Conference.

Accrington, Lan., England, February 7th, 1900.

To the Editor:

Myself and party of sixteen missionaries left Salt Lake City on the morning of January 15th last for our field of labor. As we were bound for the Northern States, the rest to Europe.

The steamer Belgeland was a day late in getting in from Liverpool, so we did not sail from Philadelphia until the 21st, instead of the 20th of January. We had a very pleasant trip across the ocean, all but one day, and that was very rough. The wind blew a gale, the waves rolled high, and the passengers suffered from loss of appetite. On Sunday, January 23rd, the captain held services in the dining saloon, at 10:30, and at 2:30 we held our services in the same place. Most all the passengers and many of the crew attended, and we had a splendid meeting.

The captain of the ship was a fine man, and the way he keeps his steamer is a credit to him; everything is very clean and neat. One thing I observed, that during the whole trip I never heard an oath. One day as the captain was walking the deck a lady asked him if he expected any very rough weather. Oh, no, said he, we have too many "Mormon" people on board to get any rough sea.

On January 31st they gave a concert in the dining saloon for the benefit of the Sailors' home in Liverpool. The evening was spent very nicely.

On February 1st we arrived off Queenstown, and on February 3rd, at 2 a. m., we arrived in the docks at Liverpool. We were met by Brothers McFarland, Smith, and McMaster, and then went to 42, Islington, where we met Brothers Lyman, McMurrin, Nesbitt and Woolton. We had a meeting, and some very good advice from President Lyman and other brethren of Liverpool. We were then appointed to our fields of labor. Some of the brethren left the same night, the rest stayed over until Monday, attending Sunday meetings in Liverpool, where all of the brethren bore their testimony to the truth of the Gospel.

If any readers of the "News" have any relatives in this part of the country and wish me to call on them I shall be happy to do so.

I arrived at my field of labor on February 10, 1900; was met at the train by Brothers Quayle and Holt. We then went to the Mission house at 192 Higher Antley street, and there met Brother Ford and Brother Jenkins, our president.

Our president informs me that while at Choley he had the pleasure of witnessing 17 persons baptized into the Church.

Your brother in the Gospel,
HENRY HORSLEY.

The British Mission.

Following are the conference addresses in the British mission, as furnished from the Liverpool office:

Birmingham conference, 290 Albert Road, Handsworth, Number of Elders, 46; President, Thos. Ash.

Bristol conference, 42 Easton Road, Bristol, Number of Elders, 22; President, J. H. Frieby.

Dublin conference, 5 My Lady's Road, Belfast, Ireland, Number of Elders, 9; President, T. L. Allen.

London conference, 36 Penton St., Islington, London, Number of Elders, 33; President, J. R. Miller.

Liverpool conference, 192 Higher Antley St., Accrington, Number of Elders, 17; President, W. N. Hill.

Nottingham conference, 14 Radford Boulevard, Nottingham, Number of Elders, 25; President, Geo. Buff.

Manchester conference, 34 Turkey Lane, Rochdale Rd., Manchester, Number of Elders, 24; President, James Briggs.

Glasgow conference, 13 Holmhead St., Glasgow, Scotland, Number of Elders, 27; President, J. K. Miller.

Newcastle conference, 37 Cavendish Rd., Jesmond, Newcastle, Number of Elders, 19; President, F. A. Mitchell.

Sheffield conference, 15 Middlesex St., Park Rd., Barnsley, Number of Elders, 19; President, H. W. Manning.

Leeds conference, 41 Thirkill Terrace, Spring Mill St., Bradford, Number of Elders, 23; President, Charles Woolfe.

Norwich conference, 14 Old Palace Road, Norwich, Number of Elders, 14; President, Heber Austin.

Wish conference, 188 Cathays Terrace, Cardiff, Number of Elders, 20; President, W. J. Wale.

In the European Mission.

Arrivals: The following named missionaries from Zion arrived in Liverpool per American line s.s. Belgeland, February 1, 1900: For the British mission—Wm. Horsley, John F. Erdman, and James A. Fishburn, Brigham City; Andrew J. Bowman and Thomas B. Wheelwright, Ogden; Stephen W. Walker, S. Dixen and Henry Horsley, Salt Lake City; A. D. Challis, Franklin, Idaho; Frank D. Strong, Alpine; Joseph Davis, Greenville; J. C. Wood, American Falls, Idaho. For the Scandinavian Mission—A. G. Lindstrom, Logan; C. N. Christensen, Brigham City; James P. Christensen, Preston, Idaho; John P. Peterson, Salt Lake City. For the Netherlands Mission—Hendrik Bel Lambertus J. Kragt, Gerard B. Deuker and John Thoren, Ogden; L. T. Witney and S. F. Taylor, Salt Lake City. For the Swiss Mission—John Schmutz, St. George.

Releases and Appointments—Elder G. Fred Wright has been transferred from the Bristol Conference to the business department of the Liverpool office.

Elder J. R. Price has been transferred from the Nottingham to the Leeds Conference.

The Elders for the British Mission who arrived on February 3, have been appointed to labor in the various conferences as follows:

J. F. Erdman, Wm. Horsley and J.

C. Wood, Bristol; James A. Fishburn and Thos. B. Wheelwright, Manchester; Henry Horsley, Liverpool; Arthur D. Challis and Frank D. Strong, Birmingham; Joseph Davis, London; Stephen W. Walker and Joseph S. Dixon, Nottingham; Andrew J. Bowman, Wales.

STAKE CONFERENCES.

Star Valley Stake.

The quarterly conference of Star Valley Stake was held in Afton, February 10th and 11th, 1900. On the stand were the presidency of the Stake, part of the High Council and others. There was good attendance considering the state of the weather.

Elder George Osmond welcomed all. He said he was filled with gratitude for the condition of the Stake. He spoke of the first organization and the growth in numbers, etc.

Bishop Osborne Low reported the Afton ward as struggling hard to keep all organizations in running order under the present siege of sickness.

Bishop F. G. Toham reported the Fairview ward not holding meeting or public gatherings, in order to prevent the spread of measles.

Bishop John B. Thatcher, Jr., gave a favorable report of the Bliford ward.

Elder Wilford Hyde reported Grover as doing well.

Elder Eugene Weber reported Freedom ward.

Bishop H. J. Mennert reported the Glencoe ward. All these reports showed increase in faith and good works.

Elder Sedgwick, who is laboring in this Stake in the interest of the Y. M. C. A., bore a strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel and exhorted all to charity and good works.

Elder Anson V. Call spoke of the advantages our young men have in preparing for missions, and urged them to be of usefulness. He exhorted parents to be exemplary in their acts, so that their children may follow in their footsteps.

Elder Wm. W. Burton in his remarks showed the blessing we derive from revelation, by which we are taught the things of God.

Elder B. H. Alred, Jr., related some of his missionary experiences, and spoke of the judgments to be poured out upon the wicked for their disobedience.

The morning session, February 11th, Elder G. Osmond addressed the Saints. He related some testimonies he had received while on his mission in the State of Alabama, and spoke of the great blessings enjoyed by the Saints.

Elder Anson V. Call presented the general authorities of the Church; also of the Star Valley Stake. All were unanimously sustained.

Elder George Osmond said it was the privilege of all to be guided by the Spirit of God. He spoke strongly against the sin of blasphemy, also the use of intoxicating liquors, and advised the home missionaries to read the Deseret News and keep in touch with the leaders of Israel. He advised the planted.

The citizens of Afton have been afflicted with a most malignant form of measles, which has proved fatal in five cases, but at the present writing it has nearly stopped, for which we feel thankful.

WM. H. KENNINGTON,
Stake Clerk.

RETURNED MISSIONARIES

Elder H. E. Bowman, of Provo city, who was set apart on the 16th of April, 1897, for the Swiss and German mission, returned from that field on the 19th of this month. He spent the first six months in Germany, and then when the mission was divided he was called to preach over the Swiss mission, in which capacity he has acted for two years. Elder Bowman says the field is in an excellent condition, as shown both in accessions to the Church and the tithe record. Openings are made in the new fields. The recent agitation in this country has attracted but little attention in Switzerland. Elder Lewis S. Cardon of Logan now presides over that promising mission field.

Elder Gottfried Eschler of Thomas Fork, Idaho, returned in the company of Elder Bowman. He was set apart on the 5th of December, 1897, and performed a most successful mission. He reports 54 baptisms this year.

Elder James M. Shupe, of Eden, Weber Co., was set apart on the 14th of April, 1898, for missionary labors in the State of Illinois. He and companion had the pleasure of baptizing ten persons during his mission. He also reports having seen numerous manifestations of the power of the Almighty, in the healings following faith of the sick and afflicted. He returned home on the 17th of this month.

Elder Isaac W. McKay, of Huntsville, Weber Co., was set apart on the 14th of Oct., 1897, to perform missionary labors in the States. He spent the time mostly in the State of Illinois, where, he says, he was treated kindly by the people and made many friends. He returned home on the 17 of this month.

Elder G. W. Espin, of Orderville, Kane Co., was set apart on the 17th of Sept., 1897, to labor as a missionary in the New England conference. His time was spent in Ipswich, Mass., Boston, and Providence, R. I. He returned home on the 17th of this month. He reports that he enjoyed his mission and had good health nearly all the time.

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"For a number of years I was troubled with backache and leucorrhea. I became so weak and miserable that I could not attend to my work or studies. The least effort would completely exhaust me. Physicians failed to help me. I felt that my youth was blighted, and the life before me would be one of suffering and misery. Then a friend insisted on me taking your medicine. Before I had used one bottle I was greatly relieved. I had not known a well day for four years, but now I feel better than I have since a child, and it is all due to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Miss May B. Stevenson, Alliance, O.

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"I suffered for fifteen years without finding any relief. I tried doctors, but nothing seemed to do me any good. I had falling of the womb, leucorrhea, pain in the back and head, and those bearing-down pains. One bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did me so much good that I sent for four more, also two boxes of Liver Pills and one package of Sanative Wash. After using these I felt like a new woman."—Mrs. G. A. Winter, Gildden, Ia., Box 220.

"I was suffering with falling of the womb, painful menstruation, headache, backache, pain in groins, extending into the limbs; also a terrible pain at left womb. The pain in my back was dreadful during menstruation, and my head would ache until I would be nearly crazy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has given me great relief. I suffer no pain now, and I give your medicine all the praise."—Mrs. J. P. McSpadden, Rosenberg, Tex.

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"For three years I suffered with ovarian trouble, having inflammation and an abscess on right ovary. Had such pain in my back and head, and at times was unable to walk. Had several doctors, but they did not do me much good. One doctor said that I would have to have an operation and have the ovary removed. I became discouraged, and gave up all hopes of getting well. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham and followed her directions faithfully, and am better than I have been for three years. I have taken ten bottles, and my friends are surprised at my rapid improvement."—Mrs. W. H. Walter, Cold Spring Harbor, L. I. N. Y.

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