

THE RAIN.

He opened the windows of heaven today
And poured us a blessing down—
On the thirsty field, and the stony way,
And the hot and dusty town.

The light on the mountain is faint and
sweet,
And bright is the flowery plain;
In the silent woods where the lovers meet
The mosses are green again.

I lifted my plant in my feeble hands,
And held it out to the shower;
For the rain that waters the widespread
lands
Will freshen a widow's flower.

And there came a thought of the friendless
heart
Shut up in a lonely place;
Oh, carry it forth, ere its life depart,
And give it the streams of grace!

Oh, carry it forth to a purer air
From its dark abode of pain,
Till the dust of self and the stains of self
Are washed away by the rain.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Elders George Romney and John
E. Carlisle the Speakers.

Religious services were held in the
Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Sunday,
August 26th, 1888, commencing at 2
o'clock p. m., President Angus M. Can-
non presiding.

The choir and congregation sang:

God moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform.

Prayer by Elder Wm. D. Newsum.

The choir sang:

Sweetly may the blessed Spirit
On each faithful bosom shine.

The Priesthood of the Sixteenth
Ward officiated in the administration
of the Sacrament.

ELDER GEORGE ROMNEY

was the first speaker. He felt to ac-
knowledge his own weakness. I know
by experience that it is useless to stand
up and speak to a congregation of
Saints without the guidance of the
Holy Spirit, and I hope to have an in-
terest in your faith and prayers. I
never like to stand before a
congregation and speak. I would
rather work than talk. But I
never retreat from anything that
I may be called upon to perform
by those who hold the Priesthood. I
feel myself to be one of the weakest
of the weak. But I have often seen those
who have no learning or experience to
speak, under the influence of the Holy
Spirit to be able sometimes to do a
vast amount of good. I have received
a testimony of the divinity of this
work and that Joseph Smith was a
true prophet of God. I have heard
him speak and make predictions which
have been verified to the very letter.
Hence, I know that he was a true
prophet. And I know that those who
hold the position of leaders today are
of God. This work will never be over-
thrown, but we must keep the com-
mandments of God. We have entered
into covenants with a real God, one
who has body, parts and passions, a
God before whom we are accountable
for our acts. I am glad to live in this
age and time.

The world looks upon this as very
strange, that God should have revealed
himself in this age. They know that
revelations have been given
formerly, but they do not think
them possible now. It is true, the
communication with heaven was cut
off for ages, but through the prophet
Joseph Smith it has again been estab-
lished. You are witnesses to this.
Although persecution rages, we know
that God is with us. He chastises us
that we may realize that we have gone
wrong and turn to him again.

Parents chastise their children, be-
cause they are their offspring. You
love them. That is the reason why
you correct them. So I look upon the
persecutions today. God loves us. If
we will keep his commandments, he
will bring us joy and comfort both
here and in eternity.

The world may think we are wrong,
but we have a testimony that we are
doing what is right. We can afford to
be spoken evil against, as long as our
acts are right before God. We are
here today, to prepare for everlasting
life in the kingdom of God.

Many times we do not realize our
position as fully as we ought to.
We will pass through much in or-
der to obtain things which perish.
But we who have been down into the
waters of baptism for the remission of
sins, who have received the Holy Ghost
through the laying on of hands, and
thus received a testimony in our souls,
ought to know that we will pass
into a more endurable state than this.
If our wives and children are faithful,
we shall be reunited with them in eter-
nity. This is no dream; it is a reality.
We have tried God in every condition
of life, and life has always proven
faithful. We ought to rejoice at this.
I would that I were a better man than
I am; that I lived nearer to God. If
we all did, it would make no differ-
ence what the world would say. I feel
well in the work. I know that it is of
God, and if we live according to the
principles enunciated, they will exalt

us in the kingdom of God. May we
live virtuously and obtain salvation.

Singing:

Awake, ye Saints of God, awake!

ELDER JOHN E. CARLISLE

of Logan, then addressed the congre-
gation. It is a great privilege, he said,
we have of showing our faith in our
heavenly Father. In fact, to have faith
is a great blessing, and the more we
have, the better fitted we are to per-
form the duties of human life as the
sons and daughters of God. If we ob-
serve the workings of nature, we learn
that there is nothing in which we can
do without faith. The illustration has
often been used in relation to this
subject, that we would not have been
assembled together here un-
less we had shown some faith. We
are told in the Scriptures that faith
without works is dead. There is a
great deal expressed in that sentence.
Not only faith in the religious prin-
ciples, but in ordinary affairs of life!
A man without faith in himself or in
his neighbors would accomplish noth-
ing. That man accomplishes most who
has faith in himself and shows this by
his works. We see this plainly in the
lives of those men who have accom-
plished most. By continuing to work,
thereby showing that they have had
faith in the object they had in view,
they have accomplished most.

Through the manifestation of faith
we see works accomplished in our age
that are marvelous. We attribute
those works to genius. But if we
could study the individuals who have
accomplished them, and get at the mo-
tives that animated them, we would
find that those men had great faith and
even were inspired.

Very much has been brought about
in this time and age. But no people
have shown greater faith than those
represented in this place of worship
today. And their faith has produced
works that are the marvel of the world.
By faith in God as their Father
and their ruler, who was their
lawgiver, they have been led to believe
that He would not always leave His
children in ignorance, and they have
been willing to receive the teachings
and instructions of those whom they
have been led to believe to be the ser-
vants of God. And they have shown
their faith in carrying out this belief
in their every-day lives. They have
studied the Scriptures and that book
which they believe to be divine, which
contains a record of some of the do-
ings of God's children on this con-
tinent and prophecies concerning the
work of the Latter-day Saints. They
have accepted the teachings of the
Elders, and the Lord has worked upon
them by His Holy Spirit, so that they
have received a testimony of the truth.
They have learnt that the Lord has re-
stored the Gospel through the Prophet
Joseph Smith. They have had a testi-
mony that an angel came to him in ful-
fillment of a passage of the Revela-
tion by John. From the nature of the
vision, the circumstances that sur-
rounded the Prophet and the condi-
tion of the world, they have had an
assurance that that passage was to be
fulfilled in the latter-day. Faith has
made itself manifest in accepting this.

As it was in former days when God
had a message to deliver to men, so it
is now. It has always been a mystery
to me, how men can believe the Bible
and God's workings in former ages,
and yet deny the workings of God in
this age. It is certainly as consistent
to believe that God can reveal himself
in this age as in former ages. No man
can say that the Lord will not reveal
himself or has not revealed himself,
or that He will reveal himself at one
time and not at another. It would,
therefore, seem more natural to be-
lieve the testimony of living witnesses
today than the testimony of those who
are dead hundreds of years ago. But
there seems to be something in our
nature that clings to the traditions of
our fathers. The child on its mother's
knee has been taught that the Bible is
divine; it has been instilled in us to
believe the Bible, and also to believe
that God has not spoken in our day.
This tendency to disbelief has to be
met. And on this ground only can we
reason: Why is it easier to believe the
testimony of dead witnesses than of
living ones?

There is also another thing. Through
the traditions we get to believe that an
Apostle, a servant of God, is a pecu-
liar being. We are not familiar with
the odds and ends of the every-day
life of those who are dead. But those
who are now living and claim to be in-
spired, we see every day. And they
give evidence of their human nature.
Some of their acts are perhaps not
such as we think they should be.
Hence, our imagination is carried
away, and we are led to reject them,
although they are called to perform
God's mission and are the servants of
God just as much as anybody ever was.

When Joseph Smith proclaimed the
Gospel as it was made known to him,
people did not turn to the Bible to
compare the principles he advanced
with the teachings of the Scriptures.
They spread out evil reports, ridicul-
ing, scoffing and all manner of lying
reports, calculated to injure Joseph
and lessen faith in his teachings.

I imagine, if we had lived in the days
of the ancient prophets and apostles,
we would have heard similar things
scattered among the people as are now
scattered abroad concerning Joseph
Smith. God's former messengers were
human as we are human and did not
live in all particulars as we may think
they ought to have lived.

Our faith, therefore, must be cen-
tered in God. When a man claims to

come from God we must examine the
message he carries. And if it contains
similar truths to those we know to be
from God; if we find nothing to con-
flict with former messages, what rea-
son have we for rejecting it? If the
gospel taught by Joseph Smith is the
same as that taught by Peter, James
and John, how can we reject it? If
the same manifestations follow
the administrations of the Elders now
as followed in former days, what right
have we to reject the teaching and
fail to comply with the message? Pre-
judice is no justification, for if it were
people might on the same ground re-
ject the message of Jesus, our Savior.
He was rejected by many, and although
a righteous man, suffered greater
trials than any on earth. If we reject
one we must reject the other for the
same reasons.

Faith is the fundamental principle
in believing in the mission of Jesus, as
it is in believing the mission of Joseph
Smith and the servants of God today.
But the truth of a testimony can not
be demonstrated to any but to those
who are willing to obey God. An in-
dividual must ask God, believing that
God will answer him. Then God is as
willing today to answer prayer as he
ever was.

Those that have come here have come,
because they were led by the Spirit.
They have seen signs follow the be-
liever and prophecies fulfilled; and they
cannot be mistaken, for there are many
witnesses. When scores, and hun-
dreds, and thousands, and scores of
thousands bear their testimony, how
can they be gainsaid?

There are those who have witnessed
the power of God in various ways.
This strengthens faith and makes us
still more believe in the works of God.
It inspires us to all the virtues that
tend to make us more intelligent, more
like God.

A people that believe that God can
reveal himself to them should have
greater ambition to educate them-
selves to become more like God. The
great thing is to get faith, more faith,
and let it lead to works.

Active faith in God is the best thing
to correct the evils of the world. May
our faith continually increase and we
obtain the blessings of the faithful.

The choir sang the anthem,

The earth is the Lord's.

Benediction by Bishop Wm. L. N.
Allen.

THIRTY PREHISTORIC MEN.

The people of Floyd County, Iowa,
have often speculated as to the con-
tents of a group of forty curious-look-
ing mounds on the farm of John
Scrimger; but none of them had curi-
osity enough to investigate until Prof.
Webster took the work in hand on his
own account last week. The Scrimger
farm lies just north of the pretty vil-
lage of Charles City, and is in one of
the most beautiful sections of the
State. On the eastern part of the farm
is a long, low ridge, running
directly north and south, on
top of which are the mounds,
some forty in number, about three
feet in height, and ranging from
fifteen to twenty-five feet in length.
Thus far Prof. Webster has opened
fourteen of these mounds and found
the skeletons of thirty people, he thinks
of a different race from any of the
prehistoric remains yet unearthed in
this country. Just how long the ridge
and mounds have been there M.
Scrimger can't say. Neither can the
oldest settler, and neither can the Pot-
tawatomie Indian traditions, which
run back many centuries. That both
ridge and mounds were built by hu-
man hands is plain from the mathe-
matical regularity with which they are
arranged, and the hardness of the soil
composing them, which is packed firm,
like a stone, while that of the virgin
prairie in the neighborhood is soft and
yielding.

The skeletons found by Prof. Web-
ster are in various stages of preserva-
tion, some quite solid and others
crumbling to dust, while in one mound
there was nothing but a bed of ashes.
All the dead had been buried in a
doubled position, the knees being
crowded on the lower jaw, and the
head of each carefully laid toward the
east. While the femur bones show
that most of the skeletons are those of
people about five feet seven inches tall,
there are four, the original owners of
which must have been fully seven feet
tall. The skulls are those of a race of
inferior beings. The toes are abnor-
mally thick, and the frontal bones slope
abruptly back from the eyes while the
lower jaws protrude forward so that
the under teeth come outside of the
upper ones. In general contour the
skulls resemble those of the prehis-
toric mound builders found in Ohio,
Indiana, and Wisconsin. Most of the
skeletons found by Prof. Webster
show marks of fire, as if the flesh had
been burned from the bones before
burial. Another strange thing is the
entire absence of anything like per-
sonal trinkets, or implements of war
or of the chase, as are generally found
in eastern mounds. The bones of
animals, showing that the friends of
the deceased had celebrated their
interment with funeral feasts, are also
missing. The only thing thus far un-
earthed in the Iowa mounds, aside
from the skeletons, is a lot of broken
pottery of crude design and make, in-
cluding one nearly whole vase or urn
of archaic workmanship, which Prof.
Webster now has.—N. Y. Sun.

HE DREADED REPRODUCTION.—The
minister sought to improve the time
by giving Bobby a lesson in morality.

"My boy," he said, "I have lived 45
years, and never used tobacco in any
form, nor told a lie nor swore, nor
played hooky, nor—"

"Have you got any little boys," in-
terrupted Bobby.

"No, I have never had any little
boys."

"Well, they are mighty lucky," said
Bobby.—San Francisco Wasp.

DEATHS.

CORNELL.—In the Eleventh Ward of this
city, at 9:30 a. m., August 23rd, of typhoid
fever, Montague Walter Cornell, son of
Thomas Cornell, born in London, England,
March 25th, 1872.
Millennial Star, please copy.

FORREST.—At Brigham City, Box Elder
County, August 16, 1888, Elizabeth, beloved
wife of Thomas M. Forrest.

Deceased was born at Dumbarton, Scot-
land, April 6, 1816, and was baptized into
the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day
Saints, April 6, 1840. The funeral took
place at Brigham City on the 17th inst., and
was largely attended by her friends.
Millennial Star, please copy.

BOOTH.—At Wellsville, Cache County,
Aug. 15, 1888, Elizabeth Highton, wife of
the late William Booth; born March 20,
1824, at Oldham, Lancashire, England; em-
braced the Gospel in the Ashton-under-
Lyme branch of the Manchester conference
in Nov., 1847. She leaves one son and one
daughter and several grandchildren to per-
petuate her memory.—Utah papers and
Millennial Star, please copy.

BECK.—At Newton, Cache County, of old
age, August 10th, 1888, Elizabeth Yates
Beck, wife of James Beck, aged 80
years and 8 months. She with her
husband and three children, emigrated to
Utah Territory from St. Louis,
Mo., in the year 1848, having previously
come from the old country to America in
1844, purposely to gather with the Saints.
She received the Gospel in England. She
was the mother of four sons, and had 30
grandchildren, and three great grandchild-
ren. She resided in Salt Lake City 34
years and came to Cache Valley to live with
her son in 1882. She was conveyed to Salt
Lake City, and interred by the side of her
husband in the cemetery of that place, where
she passed away as if going to sleep, without
any apparent suffering, to join her husband
and kindred gone before to the happy rest
of the righteous.—Logan Journal.

LARSEN.—At Castle Dale, August 17, 1888,
Sarah Nettie, beloved wife of Joseph Lar-
sen. She was born November 30, 1804, at
Manti, Sanpete County, and leaves a hus-
band and one child to mourn her loss. She
lived and died a faithful Latter-day Saint.
Utah Enquirer please copy.—[Com.]

WILKINSON.—At Hoytsville, Aug. 21, 1888,
Isaac, son of William and Sarah A. Wilkin-
son, aged 1 year, 9 months and 23 days.

COCKERILL.—In Salt Lake City, August
9th, 1888, of sunstroke, Jesse Hill, son of
John and Alice Cockerill, aged 2 years
and 8 months. Residence at Pleasant Green
Ward.

BULLARD.—Edward Franklin Bullard, son
of Ezra N., Sr., and Mary H. Bullard, died
at Thubert, Piute Co., August 16, 1888, of
dropsy. He was born on October 30, 1877,
at Pine Valley, Washington Co., Utah.

THOMAS.—At St. Johns, Arizona, August
14, 1888, of cholera morbus, David Thomas
aged 69 years, 11 months and 23 days. De-
ceased was born August 23, 1819, and was
baptized in Abernethy, South Wales, De-
cember 15, 1849. He leaves a wife, six
children and 36 grandchildren.
Millennial Star and Welsh papers please
copy.

PRATT.—At Provo, Utah, August 23, 1888,
at 7:30 p. m., Ozzie Pratt, daughter of Elder
Moroni L. Pratt and Caroline Beebe, for-
merly of this city. Deceased was born
May 27, 1877, making her career in this life
just 11 years and 88 days.

Three weeks before her death she was
taken with a prevalent throat disease,
something akin to diphtheria, but which
was not considered dangerous. Twice she
was raised from a sick bed by the prayer of
faith, so that she seemed perfectly well,
and felt able to go about her usual duties.
Her death seemed, therefore, an event of
Providence, which though easy for the un-
derstanding is yet hard for the heart to
realize.

It is remarked by all who knew her that
never before have they seen combined so
angelic a disposition with such an aptness
for advanced ideas and so thorough a fore-
sight into the duties of a wife and mother in
Israel. What a glorious hope that for these
too, the Gospel plan provides the means of
yet fulfilling the full measure of their cre-
ation. How fitting her last words: "Papa
and mamma, kiss me good night." to that
glorious rising on the morn of God's great
Sabbath, when she shall feel, stretching
before her, a life in which all her fondest
hopes of futurity shall be more than real-
ized.—Com.

DUNN.—At Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 12, 1888,
Wm. W., only son of O. E. and Sophia
Dunn, aged 1 year and 23 days.

BAKENDALL.—At Coal Valley, Pa., Aug.
19, 1888, William, son of John and Jane
Bakendall, aged 16 months and 23 days.

DONKIN.—In Salt Lake City, August 25th,
1888, Elizabeth R. wife of Charles B. Don-
kin, in the seventy-sixth year of her age.

LOST.

A SMALL RED COW TEN YEARS
old, branded on right hip, large horns,
milkling. Give information at this office
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rewarded.
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REWARD FOR LOST HORSES.

STRAYED, IN APRIL LAST, TWO
Sorrel Mares, two and three years old,
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flanks, branded S on left hip.

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not paid within 10 days from date of this
notice, they will be sold to the highest cash
bidder at Burrville pound, at 1 o'clock p. m.,
on the 31st day of August, 1888.

Dated at Burrville Precinct, Sevier Co.,
Utah, this 21st day of August, 1888.

O. C. BURR,
Foundkeeper of said Precinct.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate of Levi E. Riter, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE
undersigned, Administrators of the
Estate of Levi E. Riter, deceased, to
the creditors of, and all persons having
claims against the said deceased, to ex-
hibit them with the necessary vouchers,
within ten months after the first publica-
tion of this notice, to W. W. Riter, at No.
346, Fourth East, Salt Lake City, in the
County of Salt Lake.

W. W. RITER,
LEVI E. RITER,
Administrators of the Estate of Levi E.
Riter, deceased.

Dated Salt Lake City, Aug. 8, 1888. w1w

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MONROE, N. C., Oct. 29, 1887.

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