## DESERET EVENING NEWS: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1901.



Our work here is progressing nicely. We have a Sunday school organized with forty members enrolled, and all experienced joy and happiness in meet-ing together, partaking of the Sacrament, and studying the commandments of the Lord.

The "News" comes regularly and is a potent factor in disseminating the truth.

### Thankful for the Gospel.

Elder Jas. H. Sullivan, of Joseph, Se ler county, in a letter dated February 16, says that four months ago he left his home in North Carolina to join the people in Utah. At first he felt home-sick, he says, but now he is perfectly satisfied and feels thankful to his Eternal Father for the privilege he had of coming to Zion. He concludes his letter as follows:

I want to bear my humble testimon; to all that may read these few words that surely the Lord has spoken from heaven in this day and age and estab lished His kingdom, never to be torn asunder again. The judgments of God will soon be poured out upon the na-tions of the earth. I wish to say to al my North Carolina friends, who ma read these words, that I still remembe them. Accept my testimony and pre pare for the coming of the great day of the Lord.

## ENJOYING HIS LABORS.

## Some Persecution is Met With, but

Elder Jethro D. Brown sends this communication from Hartman, Miss., February 8:

I am enjoying my labors in the mis. ion field, although we are few in number and meeting with little success. This field has been thoroughly worked, and nearly all the honest-hearted have been gathered in the fold. But now and then we find one that accepts the glad message, and when we do it gives us joy, knowing we are accomplishing some good. I have met with a little persecution on my travels, but it only makes me enjoy the sweet and caused me to humble myself and depend more on the Lord. I will relate an incident that occurred the other night while my companion, R. A. Richey, and I were holding meeting with a family at a little saw-mill town called Boxterville. We held a meeting there and while we were together some of the adversary's servants came to disturb us. They made some noise while I was speaking, but never came in the house. We appointed another meeting for the next night and we had a large crowd, and a good meet. ing, and were unmolested.

The "News" is a welcome visitor and much appreciated.

## **RETURNED MISSIONARIES**

art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatso-ever thou shalt bind on earth, shall be bound in heaven; and whatsover thou heat heave on earth, shall be bound in heaven; and whatsover thou Elder E. M. Orme, of Tooele, Tooele county, returned on the 14th of this month from the Eastern States mission. shalt loose on earth, shall be loosed in heaven." He was set apart for this field on the 10th day of May, 1899. He has been aboring in the Maryland conference the first eight months as a traveling Elder. Then he was appointed first counselor to Elder Edwin Wright, the Elder. conference president. He held this po-sition until last August, when he was appointed president of the conference. says he has had an enjoyable time, and that the prospects are encouraging. He was released somewhat earlier than anticipated, on account of the sickness of his mother, who, however, It is our custom when we marry a wife to go to the man who holds this great power and by His authority we are sealed toat present is recovering from her ill-

Elder Philip Quayle, of Treasureton, Bannock county, Idaho, reports his re-turn, on the 18th of the present month, from the British mission, for which he was set apart on the 25th day of Nowas se

# **Power and Authority** Of the Priesthood.

## Discourse delivered at the General Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in the Tabernaele, Salt Lake City, on Saturday Morning, October 6, 1900, by

ELDER JOHN W. TAYLOR.

Binding, Sealing and Blessing Power of the Priesthood-Patriarchal Office Not Always Appreciated - Every Authoritative Change of Officers Should be Cheerfully Accepted-Example of Hyrum Smith.

bly pray that our Father who is in

Heaven will bless me with a portion of

His Holy Spirit this afternoon, that

what I shall say may be in accordance

with His mind and will. I feel to bear

testimony to the truth of all that I

have heard during this conference. I

have felt so much like we always feel,

Elder Clawson yesterday. It is the words of our Lord and Savier to Peter,

(Matt. 16, 13-19.) the presiding Apostle after Peter had received the revelation

from God that Jesus was the Christ.

"Whom do men say that I, the Son

"He saith unto them, but whom say ye that I am? "And Simon Peter answered and said,

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'And Jesus answered and said unto

"And I say also unto thee, that thou

It is the latter remark I wish to re-

fer to more particularly. Peter at that time held the same position that Presi-

this was a very great endowment that

he received from the Lord Jesus Christ.

to bind on earth and it should be bound

in heaven, or to loose on earth, and it should be loosed in heaven. This same

power has been bestowed in these days.

gether in the holy bonds of matrimony

for time and for all eternity, according

to the promise of the Lord Jesus Christ,

and we will be husband and wife in

eternity. There are many other eter-nal blessings that have been given un-

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My dear brethren and sisters: I hum. | sent of the First Presidency this man should be ordained a Patriarch. The change was accordingly made. What was the result? This Bishop began to omplain immediately that he had been ald upon the shelf, and that he had een dropped from his calling Bishop without receiving any special notice that this change was going to take place in his ward.

EVERY CALLING SHOULD BE HONORED.

Before proceeding any further, let me explain a moment. As I understand the order of this Church, a man who is called to be a Bishop is called to that office for the especial purpose of looking after the business affairs of that ward, and when through old age, sickness or incapacity he becomes disqualified to perform the duties of that office, or when through his faithfulness he is called to a greater ordination in the Church, it is right and pleasing in the sight of God that this change should take place. When the First Presidency of this Church informs a Bishop that he is released from presiding over a certain ward, there is just as much propriety about it "And they said, some say that thou art John the Baptist; some Elias; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the proas there would be if that man were presiding over a mission and he were re-leased from that mission by the Presidency of the Church. I am now called to preside over the Colorado mission. I do not expect that I shall stay there all the balance of my life, and if I re-ceive a release from the First Presi-dency of this Church at any time in the future, I assure you I shall never enter any complaint against them, or any-body else, for being released. I want to say to the Bishops of wards, you are not called there for life; but when you him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in are released from your Bishopric Priesthood is never taken away from you, except through transgression. WILLING AND OBEDIENT COM-MENDED.

Now to return to this Bishop of whom I was speaking. The Apostle had felt inspired of God to recommend to the First Presidency of this Church that said Bishop be ordained a Patriarch. Did that man appreciate that patriarchal order which was bestowed upon him? No, he did not. Now, let me make a quotation to those who are laboring in this calling:

"The rights of the Priesthood are inseparably connected with the powers of heaven, and the powers of heaven cannot be controlled nor handled only upon the principles of righteousness." This man, I understand, said that he had never received the spirit of the patriarchal order. I want to tell you that there never was a man in the Church of God that received the spirit of any calling whereunto he was called until he started to administer in that calling. If I am called on a foreign mission and expect to get the spirit of that mission, prepare myself and begin to seek after the Lord. It is the same with a Patriarch or any other officer in the Church of God. Now regarding this change elug made without any notice to the Bishop, which seemed to give him so much offense. There is no man under the sound of my voice that can cite me ASHTON, WHYTE & SKILLHORN C to an instance where the Lord has ever said, "I will come and tell you when said, I will need you for some other kind of a work." I have heard this kind of talk until I am tired of it. To me its always an indication of men's ignor-CUT Dealers in all kinds of Cu STONE Stone for Buildings, Carbing, STONE Cemetery Coping, Ele. ance concerning the glorious promises connected with the Holy Priesthood. I OFFICE AND YARDS-22 to 34 North Sixth West street, Salt Lake City. have heard of an instance where a man said that he had been laid upon the A BEAUTIFUL I have heard of others who have shelf. actually been offered the privilege of being ordained a Patriarch and have refused it, because they felt like they were being degraded rather than exalted in the Priesthood. I say again that the Lord never informs people when he is going to make a change. In his own time he comes and makes the change. Let us see what one of the greatest men that ever lived, in my opinion, said when a change of this kind was made with him. man whose character I have always ad-mired. I have loved his memory, and I love his descendants today. As I remember, he was occupying the position next to the Prophet, Seer and Revelator to this Church-exactly the same high and exalted position that President George Q. Cannon occupies in the Church today. I refer to Hyruni Smith. The mind and will of the Lord came unto him without any notice whatever, and he did not complain about it, he did not feel like he had been laid on the

whatsoever he shall loose on earth shall

heaven belongs to every Patriarch in the Church of Christ.

brother Joseph that he was occupying the position of one of the First Presi-dency of the Church and stood as the

second man in the kingdom, and he did

not wish to be released from that posi-

tion to become the Patriarch of the Church? No, he did not. Why? Be-cause he realized it was the mind and will of God ,and instead of being a step

backward in the Church, it was a step forward: in other words, it was a step

as the mind and will of God, and this

should always be considered above all

other things. Hyrum Smith went forth and officiated in that calling, and here is his descendant today, the Patriarch

of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-

into another department which we equally honorable. More than that,

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said, the blessings and powers of heaven are inseparably connected with the Priesthood, and they can only be controlled and handled upon the princi-ple of rightcousness. The young man said to Jesus, "What shall I do to be saved?" Jesus told him to sell all his goods, give them to the poor, and follow him. That was the condition. When Jesus promised a blessing to the in-dividual or the people he always added something that they should do to secure the blessing. Said he, "Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the first they which do hunger and thirs allies for rightcousness sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." If you will no tice, Jesus always put in a condition upon which the blessing could be re-ceived by the children of men. I sue, set to the Patriarchs that in your blessing you also add a condition. As gest to the Patriarchs that in your blessings you also add a condition. As we were told yesterday by President Lorenzo Snew at the opening of the conference, God will judge us by what we do and not merely by what we say we do and not merely by what we say I have known people to receive Patri-archal blessings which have not been fulfilled, and their soms and daughters have stood up in reproach and made it known that their father's or their more or's blessing had not been refer. er's blessing had not been fulfilled. B I want to tell you that there would very few Patriarchal blessings unit very few Patriarchal blessings unf filled, if those who received them wo remember that no blessing can vouchsafed unto the children of m excepting through their faithfulness

keeping the commandments of Go God bless you Amen. \*\*\*\*\* \*Johnson's Photos \* and FINISH. Used by the best and FINISH. Used by the best aty and professional people, in the "Tou see Joursson allover the Work The Johnson Co., C. E. Johnson Super 54 s. W. Temple, Salt Lake, Cish Lewis' 98 % Lye

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meeting was turned into the hands of the Elders, and the time was spent in bearing testimonies. The next morning (Sunday, Dec. 16) Elder Ben E. Rich made his appear-ance. At 11 a.m. the people commenced to gather, and at the appointed time the meeting commenced. The instruct-ors were Elders Ellis, Heninger, Fatheringham, W. Richy and Isaac Clegg, and each one in his turn spoke on the mission of the Elders of Israel. Elder Rich now followed with an elo-quent address upon different principles.

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There Are Many Opportunities for Bearing Testimony.

### The Country Well Provided With Literature on the Principles of Truth and Salvation.

From Elder Alex. Buchanan the "News" has received this communication, dated Glasgow, January 30:

As far as the progress of "Mormonism" in auld Scotland is concerned, the work is going on apace and we as humble missionaries feel to thank God that things are as well with us as they are True, we are not constantly engaged baptizing new converts, but ample opportunity is afforded us from time to time to "preach the Gospel", and from this we derive considerable satisfaction. Our forte here is speaking on the street corners, as we believe this to be the most effective way of getting the Gospel before the people. During the past year 500 street meetings were held in Scotland, this meaning that many testimonies were borne, the same fall-ing upon the ears of thousands of truly religious, honest-hearted people. are these testimonies vain as many would fain believe; for in conversing with individuals from time to time it is not at all uncommon to hear them remark that thirty, forty or fifty years ago, as the case may be, they heard "Mormon" Elders preach in certain sections, and the words which they had spoken had been ringing in their ears ever since. This, to us, is proof posi-tive that our work is not altogether fruitless and acts as an incentive to further effort that "this Gospel of the kingdom" may be "preached in all the world for a witness before the end shall

In the afternoon we met for the last time. The crowd was somewhat larger. The speakers were Elders A. W. Larson, John D. Morrill, followed by the president of the conference, Heber S. Olson, Elder Ben E. Rich again favored the public with a discourse.

After the services you could hear the people speak of the eloquence displayed during the conference. The Elders are now pushing the work in the larger cities of the State, under the manage-ment of Elder Heber S, Olson, from Fairview.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Good Impressions Created During the Several Meetings.

Elder C. R. Humpherys writes from Charleston, S. C., Feb. 16:

Thirty Elders arrived in the city Feb-ruary 8. All seemed to be in excellent

smiling countenance of our presi-t, Elder Ben E. Rich, but owing owing dent. to urgent business elsewhere he was unable to be with us.

Elder Elton, of Chattanooga, met with us and conveyed the instructions

meeting At 11 o'clock, a public meeting was

R. Humpherys made the opening ad-dress and was followed by Elder C. G. Anderson who spoke upon the method of interpreting the Scriptures. Elder D. H. Elton was then intro-

principles of the Gospel. Another meeting was held at 3 o'clock

with a good audience. Elder Karren reviewed the plan of salvation. He was followed by Elder Elton who empha-sized the necessity of the children of men following the same doctrine which was anciently preached to the people. At night a number of people came out to satisfy their curiosity as to what

part: "It is not enough to believe in the revelations of God, the Book of Mormon and other books, but we must put ourselves in a condition to live up to every word and requirement spoken by the Prophets of God." On Sunday evening Elder H. Lee Boyer, president of the Nebraska con-

erence, addressed the congregation. Brother Harvey H. Cluff of Provo

who is here attending college, followed with some very valuable instructions. Elder Jos. F. Thomas of Colorado, former president of the Iowa conference, being here on business, was asked to speak. He did so by relating some of his missionary experience and encour-aging the Elders in their work.

Elder L. A. Kelsch then spoke words of encouragement to the Saints and Elders and bore a strong testimony. The following day the good sisters and Elders had prepared for a social gathering. The program consisted of songs, recitations, instrumental music,

etc., after which we partook of a bounteous lunch. After the repast Elder Kelsch left but the remainder of the party lingered

o enjoy themselves talking and sing-

The only feature of regret was that two of our number were to leave us soon, to return home. But we all join in wishing them a happy return and may the blessings of God attend them in their future labors. The conference has had its effects, as

right souls have united with the Church the past week, The "News" is always welcome, and is appreciated by all the Elders, as well as the Saints and investigators, who anxiously await its arrival. It is a power for good, and a great aid to the El-ders in their warfare against error.

## NOTABLE CASE OF HEALING

The' South Carolina Conference was held in Charleston, February 9 and 10.

spirits and enjoying good health. We met in Priesthood meeting Satur-day at 10 o'clock. We had hoped to see

and wishes of Elder Rich to us. Sunday morning, at 9 o'clock, the Saints and Elders met in testimony

held with a fair attendance. Elder C

duced to the audience and spoke in a plain and forcible manner upon the

our views are concerning the marriage relations. Elder Elton reviewed briefly

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Manifestation of the Power of God Through His Servants.

# A Gentleman Who Had Been Sick for

## Many Months Immediately Restored to Health.

The following account is sent us by Elder C. R. Humpherys in a letter dated Charleston, S. C., Feb. 15:

The first of the year Elder Karren and I entered the historic old city of Charleston for the purpose of preaching the Gospel to its inhabitants who hitherto have been quite inaccessible because of the prejudice existing in the hearts of the city officials.

We visited the mayor and gained permission from him to visit and tract the business houses of the city only.

We fairly begun our labors and were received very kindly, with few ex-ceptions, when the opposing force en-tered upon the scene. While canvassing we were accosted by an officer and asked to accompany him to the guard house, which we willingly did. arriving there we learned from the Upon

I suppose, at our conferences-that this No Serious Opposition. is one of the best conferences that I have ever attended. There is a question that I would like to speak to you upon a little. It seems to be very much in line with the remarks of several of the previous speakers. To commence with, I desire to make a quotation that was made by

The Scottish people do not dull their

"palm with entertainment of each newhatched, unfledged comrade,' 8.8 Shapespeare has it, but rather eye them with suspicion until such time as they "their adoption tried;" then grap have ple them to their souls "with hooks steel." This being an inborn character. istic of Scotia's folk, it should not be difficult to imagine the peculiar position a "Mormon" missionary is placed in in tracting from door to do The art of getting conversations-for here it is an art-is not easily acquired as fellow laborers will testify, so that this part of the program is not always as replete with good results as we would like to see it. During the year over 165,000 tracts were distributed in Scotland, this meaning 55,000 strangers' houses visited, and in all not more than 6 per cent of those called upon were willing to lend a listening ear to a brief outline of Gospel principles, or elicited a particular desire to make any especial inquiry. The truth is, Scotland is tracted-or "tracked," as many have it -to death, so much so in fact, as to make the receipt of Gospel literature so commonplace that it arouses within the recipient no great desire for inves. tigation. It reminds one of a story told of a lady district visitor who made a call, one evening when the head of the household was at home. The guidman laid aside his pipe while the lady recited texts and sung a hymn. When she rose to go she handed the guidman a nice tract to read at his leisure. guidman exhibited his politeness by rising to open the door for her, and found to his surprise that the stair gas was still unlit. "Tut, tut," he said, "that stair's no' safe; wait till I licht the gas!" Then the lady saw the tract which she had given him for enlight enment twisted up into a torch for her enlightenment. The gas was lit, and the lady departed in some doubt if she had gathered anyone into the fold that night.

The illustration may be overdrawn but to the mind of many an Elder It solves the problem of the disposition of many a Gospel tract handed in for the delectation, spiritually, of the guidman, and his entire family.

A word for the ladies before closing. Our dear sisters, assigned to this se tion, are doing yeoman service for the cause, which they have espoused. In the past eighteen months, their assiduous abors have resulted in the making many friends and the consequent literation of a vast amount of prejudice that once obtained in the of well-educated people concerning the Latter-day Saints. These individuals, prominent in social and church circles are now among our warmest friends and lose no opportunity in disabusing minds of their associates of the cullar torge formerly entertained concerning the "Mormon" people, their customs and practices. Occasionally our sisters are called upon to address Bands of Hope, Boys' Brigades, etc. and in this way an impression is made which will some day count for good, and among a class of people, too, whose ranks it would have been decidedly difficult for the Elders to gain access Truly, our lady missionaries are do ing a noble work and they in Scotland -Sisters Booth, Frame and Penfoldhave our faith, prayers and warmest support in the work which they have so valiantly engaged in. We feel to sax in our hearts, "God bless them." Need I say the Deseret News Is much

appreciated? Deprive us of it and listen to our protest.

## IN VIRGINIA.

### A Profitable Conference Held at Richmond.

Elder Carl A. Miller sends this report dated Richmond, Va., Feb. 7: A conference was held on Dec. 15 and 16, in Monticello hall, located on the principal street of Richmond. During ur conference the weather was beauti when taking into consideration the season of the year.

On Saturday morning the Elders met in a body, for the purpose of receiving j-arructions from the president, The

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various The Elders left for their fields of labor feeling bounteously repaid for their long and weary walks to conference.

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The Semi - Annual Gathering Held Des Moines.

### Releases and Appointments - Large Audiences at the Meetings - A

Good Spirit Prevailing.

This conference report is dated Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 14, and signed by Elders Anthon M. Hansen, Willis A. Smith, and Elisha J. Duke, conference presidency, and R. W. Stoker, secretary:

On Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 2 and 3, the Elders laboring in the State of Iowa held their semi-annual conference at Des Moines,

At the conference held six months previous, four Elders were appointed to labor in Des Moines, which was then comparatively a new field; they were s successful in making friends and con-verts that when conference was announced again Des Moines was the most suitable place to convene. thriving Sunday school and a M. I. A. have been organized, and a hall been rented in which the Saints and friends meet.

On Saturday at 10 a. m. the Saints and Elders met in Sacrament and tes-

timony meeting. Elder Louis A, Kelsch arrived at 1:15 p. m., and at 2 p. m. the Elders met in Priesthood meeting, Elder Kelsch pre-Two of the Elders were siding. leased, viz: Nephi Otteson and John W. Elders Willis A. Smith and Jensen. Elisha J. Duke were sustained as counselors to Elder Hansen. Elder R. W. Stokes was sustained as secretary of the conference,

The Elders gave an account of their previous fields and expressed their pleasure in regard to the assignments, both of companions and places of labor which Elders Boyer and Hayes after of the Nebraska conference, spoke a short time, encouraging the Elders to The Gencontinue in their good work. and local authorities were sus-

eral tained The Elders were divided into groups of four and separated to different parts of the city to hold street meetings in order to announce the meetings and invite the public to attend.

At 7:30 p. m. Saturday the first gen-eral meeting was held. A large and an appreciative audience was in attend-ance. Saints and friends from all parts of the State and some from adjoining had come to enjoy the spirit which always accompanies such gather-

Elder Hansen was the first speaker. He welcomed all the Saints and ex-pressed his pleasure of seeing so many present, after which he stated the obct of the conference

Elders Hayes of the Nebraska conference, occupied the remainder of the time. He spoke upon the salyation of mankind.

Sunday morning on account of the stormy weather, the audience was not so large, but the same spirit prevailed. Elder Nephi Otteson addressed the congregation. He said that although his labors as a missionary in Iowa were over, he did not feel that he had been over, he did not reel that he had been released from missionary work in a general way; neither did he, hope to be, because he had learned to love the work, and with the Spirit of God he

would endeavor to promote truth at every opportunity.

versation of the chief of police that the mayor evidently had changed his mind or forgotten the permission he gave us o work the city. We kindly asked for a hearing before

the mayor, which was given us, but without any satisfaction. That we should not deliver our mes-

sage to the people seemed to be the determination of the officials. A Methodist, and an earnest investigator of our doctrine, had witnessed last September the healing of his sister under the administration of my hands. He asked us to go with him and visit a sick man, a member of his church, named Phetman,

We complied with his wishes and upon talking with the sick man found him possessed of great faith that he could be healed by the power of God according to His promises. He had been on his bed for eight months and could not move his limbs. eight

He had been unable to move on the bed without assistance. We administered to him according to

his request. In less than five minutes after the administration we told him after to raise his arms vertically which he freely did. This he had not been able to do in over eight months. He next rose up and got out of bed without assistance and sat in a chair. After some time he expressed a desire to kneel in family prayer. He knelt down for the first time in months and thanked the Lord that the servants of God had been sent to him, and through God's power he had been healed.

He was so animated with joy that he called his wife and friends his side to shake hands with him to show them he had completely regained their use, The next day he was able to walk with crutches and now is steadily improving.

The Rev. Mr. Harley, his preacher, hearing of his healing, called in to see him and upon being told that he was healed through the administration of the "Mormon" Elders Mr. Harley began to abuse him and wage war against us. He also said, "If God heals you us. He also said, "If God hears you through the 'Mormon' Elders that God is not my God." As is always the case when the puny arm of man is uplifted against the work of God, it falls short of its purpose and God's power is

nade triumphant. Mr. Harley is making many friends for us and is quietly assisting us in getting the Gospel before the honest hearted

## CONFERENCE REPORT.

A Profitable Gathering at St. Louis, Mo. The subjoined report is dated St. Louis, Mo., and signed by Elders Wil-liam L. Waite and Chas. N. Maughan:

The Southern Illinois conference met in Fraternal Hall, this city, Feb. 7th. Elder Louis A, Kelsch, of the Northern States mission, the twenty Elders of this conference, together with numer-ous Saints and friends were in attend-Conference President Elder Wm. ance. Conference President Elder win. L. Waite called the meeting to order, and stated the object of our meeting. Elder A. M. Olson spoke on the principles of the Gospel and the necessity of obeying them. Elder E. J. Dalrymple was the next speaker. His subject was revelation. The remainder of the time was taken up by Elder Kelsch, who spoke on the magnitude of the Latterday work. At 10:30 a. m. of the following day, all

Elders met in Priesthood meeting, where we received our assignments and companions, reported our labors in the past and expressed our feelings in regard to the work. All felt well and de-termined to do their duty. Elder Kelsch

gave valuable instructions. In the evening another public meeting was held. Elders B. W. Nowlin, F. G. Nellson and Kelsch were the speakers. A notable feature of our services was the singing. Elder W. H. Wilson with sweet volce sang the solo entitled, "Jo-seph Smith's first prayer," and Sister Theo. Martin rendered in her usual arevery opportunity. A feature of the meeting was the quartette, "Zion Prospers, All is Well," sung by Elder Terry and companions. Elder Kelsch then spoke. He said in

vember, 1898. He has been laboring in the Liverpool conference. Whi he enjoyed good health. He While there the Commonwealth and ocean in had a nice trip.

Elder P. A. Agrean, of Harrisville, Weber county, returned on the 19th of this month from a mission to the Northern States. He was set apart on 13th day of October, 1897. His of labor has been the Northern Illinois conference. He states that he had an enjoyable mission, and made some friends while traveling from place to place.

Elder John W. Jensen, of Hyrum, 'ache county, returned on the 16th of this month from a mission to the Northern States. He was set apart on the 9th day of November, 1898. He spent all the time in the State of Iowa, where he says the mission is prosperous,

Elder James Crooks Thomson, of Moab, Wayne county, returned on the 14th of this month from a mission to New Zealand. He was set apart on the 4th day of March, 1890. He labored for two years in the Bay of Island dis. trict and the remainder of the time in Christ's church and Manawatu, During his mission he organized three cottage Sunday schools, two in the Whan-garei district and one in Christ Church. One of these was the means of bringing several persons into the Church. He has enjoyed good health. According to a resolution formed at a recent conference the Elders laboring among the Europeans now travel without "purse and scrip" and hold street meetings, among the "purse and and they are meeting with encouraging Elder Charles Stephens. Bennington, Bear Lake county, Idaho, returned in company with Elder Thom-son, also from New Zealand. He was

that mission. Elder O. A. Fuller, of Mill Creek, Salt Lake county, returned on the 28th day of January last, from a mission to the Northwestern States. He labored in eastern Washington, Tacoma and Nampa, Idaho. He was set apart on the 15th day of March, 1899, and he reports having met with fair success. The field

Elder David C. Shupe, of North Ogden, Weber county, was set apart on the 17th day of November, 1898, for a mission to the Southern States. He labored in the Middle Tennessee conferthe first twenty-one months. ence was then transferred to the Kentucky conference, where he remained four months. The last part of his mission he spent in the Virgina conference, and es-pecially in the city of Richmond. He returned home on the 15th of this month. He says he has met with fair onth success, and that the work is progressing.

Elder C. J. Howard, of Bountiful, Davis county, returned on the lath of this month from a mission to the Southern States, for which he was set apart on the 14th day of December, 1898. He labored in the Louislana conference for six months and was then transferred the Chattanooga conference, where he was engaged in missionary work un released. He states that his health has been good and that he has been treated well, as a rule. People gener-ally ara indifferent, but in some places the Elders meet with much success.

## Danger of Coids and La Grippe

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to the children of men. I wish to refer to a great promise that the Lord made unto Abraham, our forefather. The Lord was very much pleased with Abraham and his course in life. But Abraham would be a very unpopular man today. Out of all the millions of people that dwelt upon the earth then. the Lord saw fit on one occa visit His servant Abraham, and while He was there He gave him command-He said unto Abraham: ments.

"Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee

"And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing

"And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse them that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.'

Here is another instance of man whom the Lord visited a and conferred divine authority upon, to bless the children of men, and they should be blessed, or to curse them and they should be cursed. in accordance with the authority, Abrablessed his son Isaac; ham blessed his son Jacob; Jacob blessed his twelve sons from his four wives, and they became the founders of the house of Israel. In this Jacob officiated as a Patriarch, and he not only blessed his sons, but he prophesied what should befall them, even unto the latest day.

have before our minds the fact that it has been the custom in various ages of the world to exercise this divine authority for the benefit of the children Enoch, the Prophet of God, of men. also officiated in this Patriarchial order, and Enoch was a friend of God. The Lord our God talked unto him as one man talks to another, and Enoch became so familiar with the mind and will of the Father that he not only led his people out of bondage, but he brought them to see eye to eye. became of one heart and of one mind. and the Lord was so pleased with them that He took Enoch and his city unto

to the Patriarchial order pecially that has been revealed in these last days for the benefit of the Church and kingdom of God. We have a man who stands at the head of the patriarchal order in our Church. That man is Brother John Smith. He always sits That man is here with the First Presidency of the Church. Why is it that he occupies this exalted position when sitting be-fore the people in their general confer-ences? It is because the Lord acknowledges a Patriarch as a man who is endowed with a very high office in the Church and kingdom of God, and who has a special endowment given to him for a special purpose. If there is any man in this Church who has a cial calling for life it is a Patriarch have sometimes thought, however, from remarks which I have heard from men bearing the holy Priesthood, that the ignorance regarding the Patriarchal order is extremely dense among the

In order that you may better under-stand my remarks, I wish to refer to a conversation that I had the other day with a gentleman in one of the Stakes of Zion. One of the Twelve Apostles had been around in that locality, makhad been around in that ward. What ing some changes in the ward. What nformed by the Apostle Paul that they are placed in the Church for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, and to bring the people to a unity of the faith. All these men on my right and on my left are engaged in this kind of a calling from one year's end to another. As I was saying, one of the Twelve had been around and he found a certain Bishop presiding over a ward. He felt impressed that it would be well to make a change in that ward, The Bishop was guite aged, but he had been a faithful man all his days; so faithful indeed that this Apostle felt impressed that if he could get the con-



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"And from this time forth I appoint unto him that he may be a Prophet, and a Seer, and a Revelator unto my be, smooth, clear and biemish. It cannot every impurity and biemish. It cannot fail, for its action is such that it draws the impurities out of the skin, and does not cover them up, and is invisible during us. This is the only thorough and permanent Church, as well as my servant Joseph. The last paragraph contains a specia appointment unto Hyrum Smith and does not refer to Patriarchs in general, without they receive a similar commis-sion from the Lord. But the power to seal on earth and it shall be sealed in

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I refer to these instances that we may

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