

non gave further instructions to the meeting with reference to the order of the Priesthood.

Bishop Ishmael Phillips of Union spoke to the congregation about the almost distressing circumstances in which some of the people may find themselves, owing to the lack of employment.

Bishop James Jensen of Sandy followed on the same subject. He reported the people of his ward as being only in a condition to support themselves. Their limited supplies would not allow them to assist others outside. The people as a whole were trying to live their religion.

Elder John Nicholson trusted that the cries of the poor and needy of this community would not ascend unto the Lord in vain. The organization of the Church was so complete that there was nothing that could not be accomplished; even non-members acknowledged that there was nothing equal to the organization. The Saints should contribute freely to the sustenance of the poor, and should not refuse aid and accuse the people of having brought such conditions upon themselves. Such were the instructions of King Benjamin as recorded in the Book of Mormon.

Elder C. W. Penrose hoped the meeting would profit all. The subjects treated were very essential. He emphasized the fact of perfect order in the Church, and when cases occurred which called for sympathy and showed the suffering of the poor, something was out of order. He spoke of the time to come when conditions similar to those which existed in the days of Enoch would prevail. Temporal redemption of the poor would come; at present all could pay tithing and offerings and by active work on the part of the Aaronic Priesthood those who were in want would be found and their wants administered to. Members should always take their recommends when moving from place to place and present them immediately. Every man should search to know his full duties and by the help of God perform them.

Statistical report of the Utah Kindergarten was read and ordered filed. Closed by singing, "Do What Is Right." Benediction by Elder George Goddard.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by the choir and congregation:

Redeemer of Israel, our only delight.

Prayer by Elder Jos. E. Taylor.

The choir and congregation sang:

Come all ye sons of Zion.

The following Bishops represented their respective wards: James Jensen, of Crescent; Joseph S. Rawlins, of South Cottonwood; O. P. Miller, of Riverton, and James S. Crane, of Herriman.

Their wards were reported as in generally good condition, with the various auxiliary organizations established and in good running order. The people were generally prosperous, though a few in each ward were in need of help. The tendency on the part of younger men and women in a few instances, to throw their infirm parents and other relatives on the public, was condemned, and a proper respect for the aged was inculcated. The unity of the Saints and their faithful observance of the laws of the Gospel, were spoken of and highly commended. Elder Angus M. Cannon referred to the unfortunate tendency on the part of children to neglect their aged parents, and predicted severe punishment for all who were guilty of such iniquity.

Elder Joseph E. Taylor commended the labors of the Bishops, and referred to some of their difficulties, bespeaking for these officers the united aid and sympathy of the people. He urged upon them the necessity of a high de-

gree of wisdom in their labors, and especially with reference to recommendations to the House of the Lord, and the support of the poor. He thought some of the people could, with advantage, be more diligent in studying the principles of the Gospel and their duties in connection therewith.

Referring to the support of the poor, Brother Taylor urged the establishment and sustenance of industries at home. This would do much to solve the difficulty before referred to.

The tendency of modern education to make young people proud and at the same time dependent upon others, feeling themselves above manual labor, was criticised; and the virtues of the early settlers were commended. In conclusion, Elder Taylor urged parents to do all in their power to exert a saving influence over their children.

President George Q. Cannon addressed the conference, speaking chiefly on the need of diligence and vigilance on the part of officers of the Church, in guarding the morals of the young, and teaching the people to observe the Word of Wisdom.

The choir and congregation sang, "Guide us, O thou great Jehovah." Benediction was pronounced by Patriarch John Smith, and conference adjourned to 10 a. m., tomorrow, in the Tabernacle.

The quarterly conference of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion, which opened on Saturday, closed, in the Tabernacle yesterday afternoon.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

The choir and congregation sang: How firm a foundation, ye Saints of the Lord.

Prayer was offered by Elder Geo. B. Wallace.

Singing by the choir:

High on the mountain top
A banner is unfurled.

Bishops Wm. B. Hardy, of Mountain Dell, Robert Morris, of the Eleventh ward, George Romney of the Twentieth ward, and Hyrum Goff, of East Jordan, Counselor Robert Patrick, of the Eighteenth ward, Bishops H. B. Clawson, of the Twelfth ward, and Nelson A. Empey, of the Thirteenth ward, reported the condition of their respective wards, the people generally being commended for good works and faithfulness to duty. A general awakening to religious work on the part of the young people was referred to with pleasure. The support of the poor was spoken of as a difficult matter, on account of the congregating of that class in the city, and the lack of ability or willingness on the part of the people in the payment of fast offerings. A number of the people were referred to as unfaithful in the payment of tithing, and all were urged to greater diligence in this and all the other laws pertaining to time and eternity. The efforts of the Relief Societies in the various wards, in aiding the poor, were highly commended. Faithfulness in hearkening to the counsel of the servants of God was urged upon the people.

Presiding Bishop Wm. B. Preston referred to the onerous duties of the Bishops, and commended them for their faithfulness. He thought financial conditions were improving, and that an excuse frequently urged for failure to pay fast offerings and tithing was accordingly disappearing. In regard to faithfulness in these matters, the speaker stated that Salt Lake Stake stood among the foremost. Referring to the tendency of the poor people to collect in the city, where they became a charge on the people, he thought a remedy should be found for this unfortunate condition. Their removal from the city into the country should rather be

encouraged. Pauperism would grow so long as present conditions prevailed. At the same time the poor should be carefully looked after, no matter where residing.

Bishop Frederick Kesler reported the condition of the Sixteenth ward. He had made personal visits to all the houses in the ward, looking after the condition and welfare of the people, and finding them generally in good circumstances, spiritually. Many poor lived in the ward, and most of these were faithful. All the organizations of the ward were prospering.

President George Q. Cannon followed, expressing his interest in the exercises of the conference, and offering suggestions regarding the condition set forth in the reports of the Bishops.

The choir sang the hymn:

Glory to God on high,

and benediction was pronounced by Elder A. H. Raleigh.

Singing by the choir,

Glorious things are sung of Zion.

Prayer by Elder Archibald N. Hill.

The choir sang the anthem,

Lift up your heads, O ye gates.

The presentation of officers was as follows:

Stake Presidency—Angus M. Cannon, president; Joseph E. Taylor and Charles W. Penrose counselors.

High Councilors—William Eddington, George J. Taylor, Henry Dinwoodey, Anders W. Winberg, John T. Caine, James P. Freeze, Milando Pratt, Henry P. Richards, Elias A. Smith, John Nicholson, John Clark, David L. Davis. Alternate High Councilors—Orson A. Woolley, William W. Riter, Edward Snelgrove, John Kirkman and Spencer Clawson.

Presidency of High Priests' Quorum—Elias Morris, president; George B. Wallace and William C. Dunbar, counselors.

Patriarchs—Joseph C. Kingsbury, Alonzo H. Raleigh, Washington Lemmon, Archibald N. Hill, Samuel Priddy, William H. Walker, Ezekiel Holman, John Tingey, Albert Brown, Howard Coray, Martin Lenzi, George Goddard, William C. Crump.

Clerk of the Stake and the High Council—James D. Stirling.

Reporter—Willard Done.

Assistant Reporter—William G. Sears.

HOME MISSIONARIES.

Anderson, Jas. H. McKenzie, David Anderson, H. C. Margetts, C. P. Arrowsmith, A. C. Miller, Chilion L. Ahlquist, Carl A. McEwan, William Brinton, Samuel Morris, Albert C. Bennion, Ira Moses, Geo. R. Jr. Bennion, Edwin Musser, Jos. W. Buttle, Jos. A. Nalsbitt, H. W. Bowles, George Nicholson, John Burrows, John H. Nelson, Joseph Burgon, Willard C. Nielson, C. M. Cannon, Geo. M. Nichols, F. W. Carlson, A. W. Naylor, Jos. E. Christenson, Jos. Platt, A. W. Cannon, Angus J. Riter, A. W. Caine, John T. Richards, F. S. Cannon, E. M. Richards, D. B. Christenson, John Rodgers, C. W. Cutler, Frank Romney, W. S. Cutler, J. C. Jr. Ramseyer, A. Chipman, W. S. Spencer, C. V. Christopherson, E. Stewart, C. B. Davis, David L. Stewart, S. W. Done, Willard Smith, Geo. A. Dinwoodey, H. M. Sloan, Thos. W. Dougall, Hugh W. Seare, Albert J. Davis, Alma H. Schettler, C. D. Derrick, Z. T. Spencer, Mahonri Duckworth, James Spencer, S. G. Eldredge, Ben R. Spencer, Geo. S. Flashman, Jas. T. Solomon, C. F. Fuller, Jas. M. Taylor, Moses W. Fenton, R. A. Talmage, Jas. E. Goddard, Benj. Woolley, O. A. Goff, Frank Wells, Jos. S. Goff, Jedediah Wright, Elias S. Green, C. S. Wallace, Geo. H.