A GARDEN IN THE PACIFIC.

Samoa is Evidently a Genuine Gem of the Ocean.

Visit to a Coffee Plantation High Up Under the Sun—A Pleasant Surprise—Good Work of the Elders.

Correspondence of the DESERET NEWS.

FAGALII, Upolu, Samoa, Aug. 5, 1893.—Thinking that perhaps a letter from this part of the world would prove interesting to the many readers of the NEWS, among whom we have many relatives and friends, I embrace the opportunity of penning you a few lines, and if they are worthy it would be doing a favor to have them appear in the columns of your valuable paper.

A VOICE FROM THE TROPICS.

Another Samoan civil war has just been terminated by the timely intervention of the three great powers which are in treaty with this country, viz, England, Germany and the United States.

About five years ago there was a skirmish indulged in near where our mission house now stands between the Germans and natives, which resulted rather disastrously for the former, several of their seamen having been killed and decapitated, according to the Samoan custom. Since that time Samoa has been in a turmoil and rebellion, politically speaking, and not long since, about three weeks ago, a civil war was indulged in by the natives which resulted in about thirty of their number being killed and several wounded.

To enter into detail regarding this matter is not my purpose in the present writing. Suffice it to say, a war has been had in our very midst—a war that, but for the intervention before referred to, might have proven very detrimental to the little kingdom of Samoa. This disturbance has been a great hindrance to the Elders here in the successful prosecution of their labors.

The war is now over, however, and things are beginning to assume a more favorable aspect. The "boys"—as we Elders on Samoa have been called—are again earnestly engaged in pursuing their labors of love with a view to raising the people of these far off isles to a higher degree of civilization, and leading them out from the spiritual darkness into the glorious light of the precious Gospel of the Son of God.

At present there are eleven of us here at Fagalii—nine Elders and the two sisters. We have been anxiously waiting all day for the arrival of the Mariposa, which is expected to bring two new brethren and also good news from our loved ones in the far away land of Zion. After the mail comes there will be a general scattering of us again to our various fields of labor on this island, Upolu. The next steamer for America takes two of our number to their homes and dear ones across the deep.

A SURPRISE.

August 1, 1893, twenty-seven years ago, there might have been found in the then little town of Ogden a happy family filled with joyful delight over the birth of a true born son of Zion, who is at present engaged in the work of the ministry on the islands of Samoa.

Our esteemed president, Elder Geo. E. Browning, being the one referred to above, having kindly invited the writer to take a visit with him to Utumapu, a coffee plantation about four miles from here, back on the mountain side, I readily consented, for, although Elder Court and I had only just arrived from our field of labor, coming over a very difficult trail some twenty miles long, I had a desire to see the much-talked-of Utumapu. Besides, the two sisters here had arranged to have a surprise supper for our worthy president, in honor of his birthday, so I thought it a splendid chance to try the merits of the old saying and "kill two birds with one stone," by seeing the place referred to and keeping President B. from witnessing the preparations being made for the surprise "party." At 9 a.m., therefore, President B. and the writer took their umbrellas to shelter us from the heat of the sun and the rain, and started out for an already well to the coffee plantation. Two natives accompanied us to point out the road and visit their relatives living on the plantation. Leaving the level strip of land which borders the sea shore, we were soon ascending the gradual mountain slope leading higher and higher to the peak of our destination. "Old Sol's" scorching rays came pouring down, healing upon us with such force that, regardless of our umbrellas, the perspiration oozed to ooze from every pore, running down our cheeks in little streamlets, reminding one of Iowa zing:

Little drops of water, little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean and the pleasant land.

Only those who have traveled beneath the burning rays of a tropical sun can fully realize how the heat effects one when walking up hill on a sunny day, or appreciate how pleasant it is to sit down beneath the spreading leaves of some large palm tree to rest. Our road led us through an extensive cocoanut plantation belonging to a German firm that has large possessions in Samoa. Their plantations, three in number, are said to be amongst the largest in the world. While meandering we conversed upon various subjects, and also sighted where our native ancestors, one of which belongs to the Church, resided. President B. remarked: "What a great benefit it would be if we here had if we owned a large tract of land like this on which to gather the native people." And I was not in the least contrary in my opinion of the matter, for I have often thought it would be a splendid thing to have our people here gathered into one place. Then we could work together as we had along the Jordan, study God. I was reminded of the forest roads of our own native South, except that here no small pines, oaks, ash, and ornge trees grow among the cocoanut thickets of variety plants.

Coming to where a cluster of young cocoanuts had fallen down, we soon engaged our third cocoanut drinking a "nip" of two each, after which we continued to ascend the gradual mountain slope until we had reached our destination, Utumapu. The latter part of this word, which is a name of two Samoan words, means "to eat," as we were not long putting its meaning into practical use, for we did not. The young native, who by Brother Browning had charge of the plantation, and his native wife, received us very kindly, soon after enjoying a few moments' social chat, we were invited to take dinner. Our bill of fare consisted of tea, we should have a cup of tea, but we dispensed "as is fashion," and some of milk was placed on as treacle. Of this we drank with a relish, for it's not every day that we get a drink of milk here in Samoa—this being my second one since coming here something over one year ago. I was purposely not very hungry, however, at this particular time, because I knew what was coming later on. Dinner over, we spent some time in conversation, and looking through the telescope down on the "Father of Waters" which lay stretched out full as far as our eye can see. If Bacon had so fine a view of the wide expanse of the Pacific ocean, when he first beheld from his summit of the Andes in 1513, as we now enjoyed, I don't wonder at his being filled with awe at the grandeur of the scene and the tranquility of the mighty waters that lay spread out before him.

The altitude of Utumapu is said to be about one thousand feet above sea level, and from this commanding position we gaze down over the tops of about four miles of lofty growing cocoanut trees and out over the vast expanse of water till we and sky seemed to melt into one. After gazing and wondering upon the beauties of mother earth and the many blessings which she has in store for and distributes upon her children, we just sat the united alike, the proprietor of the plantation invited us to go out and look at the various things growing thereon. We had the pleasure of seeing for the first time coffee, tea, cinnamon and cocoa growing. Our guide informed us that the coffee crop for last year was 35,000 lbs. This yield alone, at 25 cents per lb, would bring the German firm about $8750. But that is a very insignificant amount when compared with the thousands of dollars which their cocoanut plantations are bringing them in every year. I am informed that the Germans have lost considerable money in getting their plantations started here, but if they have lost money in the past they are surely getting it back now, with a good big interest, for everything has the appearance of prosperity. Besides seeing the things mentioned above, we saw rubber, castor-oil trees, and the finest patch of pineapples that I have ever seen. They were all young, however, so we got but one small ripe one to eat. The cotton plant grows very luxuriantly in this country, but does not appear to yield as well as that grown in the Southern States. The downy substance of the cotton raised here does not have that same beautiful whiteness about it which is characteristic of the cotton produced down in the south.

After rambling about over the plantation for an hour or so, we returned to the house again and, President B. having his little "kodak" along, took a number of pictures of the family and house, and also of some "black boys"—natives of the Solomon Islands—that have come here to work for the German.

The object of our visit being over, we turned our face westward and in much less time than we had been in going up we were at the bottom of the long slope again and soon found our way to the Mission home. The surprise had worked like a charm, and we had returned just in time to find two good-sized tables loaded with such luxuries as we Mormon Elders on Samoa can seldom afford to enjoy. There was bread, potatoes, pudding, chicken, etc., spread out before us, immediately in front of President B. a nice cake was placed, bearing on its top, in pure, white frosting, his name and birthday. After partaking of this delightful repast, songs, music on the harmonicas, etc., were indulged in for a short time. On retiring, each expressed himself as well pleased with the day's proceedings. It is the writer's humble opinion that a more genial company of young folks than that at the Mormon Mission home last evening would be difficult to find. In fact, it has been a subject of considerable conversation among ourselves how nicely we always get along together.

The Elders here are all quite young, and, in many instances, have had but very little experience in preaching the Gospel or been away from home for any length of time; yet they soon learn to adapt themselves to their new conditions, circumstances and surroundings. The Spirit of the Lord seems to pervade every soul, and each appears to feel it his duty to do as much good as possible in his fellow man, both by kind words and good deeds. In this connection it may not be out of place to mention that the labors of the Elders are not confined to preaching the Gospel, for, as a rule, they are not in the pulpit, but a number of foreigners have lately identified themselves with the church.

We are all in possession of good health and spirits, for which our hearts are filled with gratitude to our heavenly Father. Our approaching conference, which is to be held some time in October, is anxiously looked forward to by us all. It is deep regretted that the Elders and Saints from the several islands of this group will not be able to be present at Pagalii, and a genuine time of rejoicing is anticipated. Thus the good work is progressing in the faraway part of the Lord's vineyard.

The NEWS is an ever welcome visitor to our midst, and is always read with much pleasure and profit by us all. Although we are called upon to pass through many trials, we rejoice in the knowledge that we are doing right in the Church, and we only ask to be faithful to the end of our arrival, so that we may be in the possession of that worth that serves as a sweet balm to the weary souls, feeling then with the sweet words of the Prophets and Apostles of old, "Lord, I believe, help thou my unbelief."

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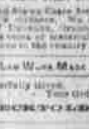

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