

cuse it, and work to deprive its members of every political right and privilege.

The "Liberal" party has for its chief object the utter disfranchisement of every member of the "Mormon" Church, and yet its orators have the impudence to ask "Mormons" to vote for "Liberal" candidates. The "Liberal" party falsely charges the People's Party with "stealing" and "embezzlement" and "robbery," and then asks People's Party voters to support "Liberal" office-seekers, libelers and defamers. This is in line with its peculiar logic and should be enough to defeat its nefarious intent.

RELIGIOUS.

Sunday Services.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle last Sunday at 2 p.m., President Angus M. Cannon presiding. Elder John Nicholson delivered a discourse on the Book of Mormon, its origin, character, teachings, inspiration and authenticity, adducing evidence which overturned the popular theories designating it as an imposture. The closing portion of the sermon was devoted to the reading of extracts from the record embodying prophetic enunciations concerning the times in which we live, and showing the marvelous accuracy with which the predictions had been and were being fulfilled.

At the close of the services, Miss Flora Batson, the celebrated colored songstress, who is visiting Salt Lake City, beautifully rendered "The Lord is my light," from the 28th Psalm.

Priesthood Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Priesthood of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion convened in the Assembly Hall on Saturday, Aug. 3, 1889, at 11 a.m., President Angus M. Cannon presiding. All the wards of the Stake were properly represented excepting the 14th and 22nd wards of the city and the Big Cottonwood and Draper wards.

The usual business having been dispatched, remarks were made as follows by the brethren named:

ELDER GEORGE W. HILL

was requested to bear his testimony and report upon his labors among the Indians. He said he had not labored actively among them recently, having been released from that duty, but he could testify of their faith in God and good feeling toward the work of the Lord; also could bear witness of their honesty and worthiness, such of them as had come within the Gospel pale, and to whom his labors had extended. The speaker had lately visited his relatives out in the world, and found some of them friendly toward the truth, and others not so. He had discovered, in his experience, that those whom he had thought would receive the Gospel had rejected it,

while those of whom he had little or no hope had believed and obeyed it. It was a day of great opposition to the work of God, for Satan knew that his time was short, and he would use every method to seduce the Saints from the path of right; but trials would only make them strong if they bore them patiently and successfully. One great promise to the faithful was that they should assist the Lamanites to build up the Center Stake of Zion, and inherit the promised land. He wanted to realize that promise. He felt well in the work, had no fault to find with the Priesthood or the Saints, and wanted to live humble and pure and inherit eternal life in the kingdom of God.

ELDER JAS. E. TALMAGE

first touched upon the object of the Priesthood meetings. He said there was a great variety of duties and labors incumbent on the servants of God, as evidenced by the different reports rendered; and yet we are all bound together by one common hope and purpose. It was the work of God that was being performed by the farmer, the carpenter, the builder, as well as by the preacher of the Gospel and those who labor in spiritual things. We have organizations and institutions set on foot for the training of the youth, such as the schools that have been established in our midst for the education of the children of Zion, whose future is destined to be glorious. The Lord declares that it is impossible for men to be saved in ignorance, by which the speaker understood such ignorance as they had the opportunity of removing. Matters of knowledge were matters of God, and greater facilities for learning were extant today than ever before. Choice literature could be obtained very cheaply, and the day had gone by when books had to be chained to the public stands to be studied only by a few. The speaker dwelt upon the condition, past and present, of the Latter-day Saints College of this Stake, and also its prospects for the future. He asked the support of the brethren present for that institution, the object of which was to make good Latter-day Saints of those who were not so, and better ones of those who were good Saints already. Not only money aid, but faith and prayer were necessary to sustain such an institution. He predicted the future success of these schools, for they had been instituted by proper authority and were deserving of the blessing of God and support of His people.

PRESIDENT C. W. PENROSE

endorsed what he had heard as being true and faithful. He believed in the institution of which Brother Talmage had spoken, and hoped that all would sustain it. He read a letter from the Presiding Bishopric, embodying excerpts from an epistle of the First Presidency, in relation to donations and offerings, for the support of the poor, and added that it was the desire of the Stake Presidency that the instructions therein contained should be faithfully carried out in the spirit and meaning thereof. If we do not look after the poor, we cannot hope

for the blessings of the Lord. The Lord says that they who neglect to impart of their substance for this purpose, "shall lift up their eyes in hell, being in torment." Tithing was partly for the support of the poor, and the Saints should pay their tithing also, and pay it as they receive it, week by week, or month by month, and not reserve it all until the end of the year. Let every man be as benevolent as his means will allow. The Lord loves those who are liberal to the poor, especially if they do it modestly without boasting and ostentation, and He who seeth in secret will reward openly for all the good we do.

PRESIDENT A. M. CANNON

announced that, as the next conference of the Stake would fall on Sunday and Monday, the 1st and 2d of September, 1889, it was advisable to hold the next Priesthood meeting on Saturday, the last day of August, and he suggested, in this connection, that the High Priests' Quorum, which was to meet on that day, be invited to join with the Priesthood of the Stake in their meeting.

A motion to this effect was carried unanimously. Full financial and statistical reports from all the Wards were requested to be handed in in time for presentation to the conference.

The meeting was then adjourned till Saturday, August 31st, 1889, at 11 a. m.

Tooele Stake Conference.

The quarterly conference of the Tooele Stake convened at Grantsville on Sunday and Monday, July 28th and 29th.

Conference commenced at 10 a.m.

Present on the stand: Of the Presidency of the Church, Presidents Wilford Woodruff and George Q. Cannon; President Gowans and Counselors, Bishops and leading brethren of the Stake. Presidents Cannon and Woodruff occupied the time of the forenoon and afternoon. The subjects spoken of tended to prepare the Saints to live in union and to keep the commandments that God had revealed.

Monday, 10 a. m.—After singing and prayer, President Gowans reported the condition of Tooele Stake, showing that there was an increase of faith among the Saints, and though there was a great scarcity of water, there was but little complaining.

Bishops W. G. Collett and T. Atkin reported their wards in good condition.

The general and local authorities were presented and sustained unanimously.

The remainder of the day was occupied by Presidents Woodruff and Cannon. The instructions given were calculated to unite the Saints and stimulate them to live more faithful to the covenants they had made with God.

The Grantsville choir under the leadership of Brother A. V. Millward, rendered efficient aid to make our conference all that could be desired.

THOMAS WILLIAMS,
Assistant Clerk.