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Christian N. Lund, Moses W. Taylor, Thomas E. Bassett and Jesse N. Smith.

(President of North Sanpete Stake), President of North Sanpete Stake). My Brethren and Sisters: I must say My Brethren and Sisters: I must say way unexpectedly, and I very much de-size that the few moments I shall oc-size that the first time in my life that I have stood before so large a con-that I have shoe been very much gratiprayers. that I hav have been very much grati-this conference to listen to gregation. I this conference to listen to excellent remarks that have by our brethren who have ns. I have been edified and n my faith, and I have, feit the Lord with all my heart the seen permitted to be num-this people. I heard some of en may that they feit hon-man may well feel honored nulfied with this marvelous the ford has instituted in the the many been made ddrenne() ballt up thank that I ha bered with the brett AIG work that the Lord has instituted in the sarth in these days. When I entered this morning I was think-is the seventy-fourth aning that th the organization of the esus Christ upon the earth siversar. days. Seventy-four years he Lord inspired His great o was then but a youth, to in the la ago today the last thue. He had previously been prophet. there are promise, when the angel con-fered upon him the Aaronic priesthood, that that priesthood should not be taken from the earth until the sons of Levi should offer an offering unto the Lord in righteousness. That promise Levi should offer an offering unto the Lord in righteousness. That promise has been given to no other dispensation and to no other people, but it was given in this dispensation. Indicating that the work which God established through the Prophet should remain; that it was not to be given to another remained it was not to be taken that it was not to be taken people, and it was not to be taken away again, as had been the case in former dispensations. That promise former dispensations. That promise former dispensations. That promise has no doubt comforted the hearts of the Latter-day Saints in hours of af-diction, when the clouds of darkness have obscured the heavens. It is a surce of comfort to us today, as it has fer since the work was intro-When we look back over this been el duced, period of time we can praise the name of the Lord and say that is faile of the point and say that is far He bath verified that promises This Church has grown from that day is the present. In numbers, in strength, in power, in righteousness, and in all that tends to make us mighty in the

ann. When the Savior was asked in His day to tell what should be the signs of His coming and of the end of the weld. He told a number of things the should transpire before that time. Ge of these signs was that the Gornal One of these signs was that the Gospel of the kingdom should be preached hall the world for a witness, and then to all the world for a winness, to bead the end come. This seems to is the great mission of the Church is the dispensation, to send the Gospel bul nations for a witness before the gishall come. When our Elders go

The Stakes of North Sanpete, Summit, Frement, and Snowflake Thrifty and Prosperous.

ELDER CHRISTIAN N. LUND,

that what I say may be inspired from | on high. I am very much pleased with the remarks that were made by Presi-dent C. N. Lund. I was very glad to hear him say, "I pray for the authori-ties of the Church, and I sustain them." There is something wonderful in the thought that we pray, and then that we practice what we pray. I would like to see every Latter-day Saint practice what they pray. When one of my coun-selors was selected and the authorities asked him what he thought about it, he said, "I can live my religion, but I fear I cannot preach it." The Apos-tles said to him, "You are the man we want. We want somebody that can live their religion and not preach so much." And I think it would be a good thing to go a little further and say, "We can practice what we pray." I have heard of some Latter-day Saints praying to the Lord to sustain the prophet, seer, and revelator who stands at the head of the Church, and then go out on the street corners finding fault with some recent instructions or counsels given by the President. I would like that class of people, if I had anything to do with them, to say, "I will practice what I pray." As far as the Summit Stake of Zion

is concerned, we live on the tops of the mountains, and when anybody asks us how we are getting along we always say we are still on top. I can testify that we have some excellent Saints in Summit County. We have some good Bishops, some good High Councilors, some good Superintendents of Sunday Schools, of Religion Classes, of Fri-mary Associations, and of Mutual Im-provement Associations. They are very active and energetic. Our home missionaries are also active, and it does not matter how muddy the roads are, or how far they have to travel, they almost invariably fulfil their appoint-Sometimes one may excuse ments. himself on account of having a sore foot, or something of that kind, but as a rule when any of them have a sore foot they wrap a rag around it and go anyhow. That's the kind of people we have in Summit Stake of Zion. I sometimes think that we have a few out there whose labor consists principally in standing around, after they have prayed to sustain the authey have prayed to sustain the au-thorities of the Church, and "knocking" those same authorities. But there are very few of this kind; I generally say we have just about six. We have not the richest piece of land on the face of the earth, and we sometimes have frost on the Fourth of July; but when our vertices are forced in second like the potatoes are frozen, it seems like the Lord blesses them and they begin to come up again, so that before the close of the year we have some good pota-toes. Occasionally they may be small, but they are the kind that falls down like flour when they are cooked, and are good to eat. Everything out there is good. Our lettuce is crisp and good, and all else that we have we think is good. We have coal mines, gold mines,

ters, to be permitted to bear my testimony in connection with my brethren. I rejoice that I am counted worthy to be numbered among the Latter-day Saints. I desire to thank my Heaven-ly Father for His protecting care and kindness toward me in casting my lot among this people, so that my stubborn nature has been more or less brought into subjection to His will through my associations with His people. My experience leads me to believe that mankind naturally are prone to do evil, and that it requires constant association with good people and proper influences to keep us in touch with the Spirit of God. I bear my testimony to you this morning that in all the asso-ciations I have had with the Latterday Saints-which has been from my early boyhood-I have never yet been taught anything but what would make me a better man than I otherwise would be. There is nothing in Mormonism that will make of us undesirable citi-zens of any nation. I have been taught from my earliest boyhood as you no

doubt all have, to obey and honor the laws of the land; in fact, it is said in one of the revelations of the Almighty will have no need to brack the laws of God we will have no need to brack the laws of the land. I desire to testify to all under the sound of my voice that the Latter-day Saints are a patriotic people, an industrious people, a people who have made the desert wastes blossom as the rose. They have proved to be a desirable community wheresoever their lots have been cast. It is really astounding to see the benefits that the country has derived from the location of the Latter-day Saints in the section where I am called to labor. Twenty-one years ago, when we went in to that country, I remember that from Pocatel-lo northward for hundreds of miles scarcely anything could be found but sagebrush, sandy wastes, cactus, and desert plains. There was very little that was pleasing to the eye. But through the establishment of the Lat-ter-day Saints in that locality, you can find in that country today a con-tinuous stretch of productive fields and gardens from Pocatello almost into the Yellowstone National park. At that time there were perhaps not more than two hundred Latter-day Saints located in that country. To-day we have in the neighborhood of twonty thousand and the workmanship twenty thousand, and the workmanship of their hands can be seen on every of their hands can be seen on every side. Towns and villages have sprung up, and the history made by our peo-ple in that locality is such that the State of Idaho is proud to acknowledge us as citizens. When our brethren have been honored with positions in the representative halls of that State they have been treated with the great they have been treated with the greatest courtesy, and have been looked up-on as men of honor, clean and honest in all their conduct. We have done a noble work in that part of the country. I am proud to say we have erected a very fine school building, acknowledged by the Governor and other representative men of the State as perhaps the finest school building in the State. It has been built by the Latter-day Saints, and that in small contributions. This stands today as a monument to the credit of our people, and it should stand forever as an evidence that we are an education-loving people. The claim made by some who are not of us that "Mormonism" thrives best where ignorance prevails to the greatest extent, is untrue. Our people have shown by horance prevails to the greatest extent, is untrue. Our people have shown by their efforts that they love education, and they believe in the motto, "Intelli-gence is the glory of God." We are using every endeavor to bring up the young and rising generation in a way that will be pleasing to our heavenly Father, and that will make them good citizens of whatever land they live in. I indorse most heartly the testimo-nies that have been given by our breth-ren during this Conference. In the Fre-mont Stake of Zion we uphold the au-thorities of the Church, not only with our faith and prayers, but with our ac-tions. I have in my home the plctures of the Presidency of the Church and the Twelve Apostles, and I point out each one of them to my children as be-ing a man of God. I am sure that not only from Utah and the States on the South, but from the State of Idaho also, only from Utah and the States on the South, but from the State of Idaho also, will come a host of people who will up-hold the Presidency of this Church, who esteem Joseph Smith as a prophet, and those who have succeeded him as his lawful and legal successors. I rejoice, my brethren and sisters, to be associat-ed with you. I bear my testimony to the truthfulness of the latter-day Saints, we will be good Latter-day Saints, we will be good American citizens, be-cause the Gospel requires nothing of us but what will make of us better men. cause the Gospel requires hotning of us but what will make of us better men, and better citizens of any nation where our lots may be cast. May God bless you and inspire us all to remain firm and true to the covenants we have made with Him, and above all things to be united together in the bonds of love and union, having the Spirit of God dwelling in our hearts, that we may in dwelling in our hearts, that we may in very deed be the children of God. I ask in the name of Jesus, Amen. ELDER JESSE N. SMITH. (President of Snowflake Stake.) (President of Snowflake Stake.) I feel greatly honored, brethren and sisters, to come before you for a few moments. The Saints in our part of the world are few in number, bur they are very good and, faithful people. We have, I think I may say, lived down to a great extent the prejudice that exist-ed among our outside brethren and sis-ters. The people of Arizona generally are a good people. They are not relig-ious, however, as the world regards re-ligion; still they are large hearted, lib-oral, and willing that others shall en-joy the rights of conscience. Our wards are fully organized. We have six small joy the rights of conscience. Our wards are fully organized. We have six small wards in our stake. In that part of the country there are not many facilities in any one place for the settlement and sustenance of the people. We have made some advancement educationally. We have good schools. Our academy is in a good situation and doing good work. We rejoice in the prosperity of the cause. Although far away from you, we endeacor to keep pace with the progress of events. We have a lively interest in all that pertains to the up-building of the kingdom of God. I sup-pose I may say that we are not very well off for this world's goods, and when our brethren are so fortunate as to get a little ahead in that direction, they generally move to more favored to get a little ahead in that direction, they generally move to more favored localities. This is all right, so far as I know. We bid them God speed when they go to other places, and hope for their prosperity. I esteem it a great happiness that I have received faith in this work. I have never sup-posed that I was naturally much in-clined to be religious, but it was my good fortune to have God-fearing par-ents who started me in this line. I good fortune to have God-rearing par-ents who started me in this line. I think it was owing to my parentage, my kindred, and my surroundings that I became religious. I have the very highest regard for religion, and for religious people. I have made this sub-ject the study of my life, and the more I have investigated the Gospel as it has

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been restored to us, the more satisfying it has been to me. Very early in child-hood I heard the voice of that great man, Joseph Smith, and although I was young his words penetrated my heart. I believed them. I have believed them ever since. I shall always believe them. I can express my thankfulness for these happy and blessed surroundings which have caused these earnest reflections. have caused these earnest reflections, I have not only investigated the faith that was delivered to me by my parthat was derivered to the by fify par-ents, but I have investigated all faiths, so fur as I have had opportunity. I respect all religious people, but I do not respect hypocritical people. I respect every sincere person who has faith in God. I could never persecute any one

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irkup of Franklin, Idaho, last week. So far as we know, he is not a

he he various nations of the earth her do not expect to convert all the people, but they so to warn all people, to peach the Gospel for a witness to al sations where they have the priviwithout an excuse before the Lord in

its day of judgment. I feel honored to have the privilege of being a member of this Church. I the senge a member of this Chilten. I feel grateful to my Heavenly Father that He called me from the land that fare me birth. Chat He sent his ser-tant, our great Apostle of the North. as we used to call him - Brother Erastus Step. who senge to any country to the snow-who came to our country to turn the series of the Gospel to the thousands ind tens of thousands of the blood of immel in those lands. I feel grateful Gospel came to me, and that God twoched my heart, enlightened my mind and inspired my soul to understand the tuth. I felt at once that it was from the Lord, and I have felt so from that the to the present. I have tried to give to this work my best thoughts, my best in this work my best thoughts, my best efforts; and I trust that this shall be my am in the future.

A little over three years ago the inpete Stake of Zion was divided in tto, and I was called upon to preside over the North Sanpete Stake, which temprises the north portion of Sanpeta Cauty. I want to say here, by way of isport of that stake, that we have in that stake a good people; a people who are desirous of serving the Lord and who are trying to keep His com-Desimates and to roll forward this puments and to roll forward this flat work. They are endeavoring by pay their tithes and their offerings into the Lord and to live so that they my enjoy His Holy Spirit. We have eleven wards in our stake, the very small and some large. They are presided over by some of our bet me hen men. Since coming to conference we have been notified of the death of James A. Allred-who has presided over foring City ward for the last 23 years. A beiler man, a better presiding offi-

in our stake. He was S4 or 85 years of age but until within a few months Take but until within a few moltins be seened to be strong, energetic and ditable of taking charge of everything pertaining to his word, and he had its effairs in his hands just as though he were a young man. We regret very much to lose his services, but we feel that he has performed a most glorious inision. He has been an example that Bission. He has been an example that will be a strength to that ward and to that stake for years to come. So I may ay about our Bishops generally. They are men of God. Our High Council, and the brethren who have charge of the anous organizations; men of God, and are trying to perform their duty to the very best of their abil-

that is my boyhood this message of the New my brethren and sisters, I real-ise that the time of this conference is yer result. very precious, and it would not be proper for me, nor do I feel inclined. ectupy more of it, but I am glad to har this testimony to you this morn-ing I know as well as I know my own The Lord has revealed this to me through His holy Spirit, I know that seaph Smith how that he held the keys of this diswhich is held the keys of this dis-mission, and that God revealed Him-wit to him, in connection with His En Jeaus Christ, I know that the Ban who have succeeded him in the Weidancy of this Church have been from of God and unophate of the Lord. ten of God and prophets of the Lord. bar the same testimony concerning Braident Joseph F. Smith, who now Made at the head of this great work Upp the earth. I sustain him as a Prophet of the Lord. I sustain his coun-Bars and the temption also as men of shore, and the Apostles also, as men of God. I pray for them continually, and MA God to bless and strengthen them is three to bless and strengthen them butters which are laid upon their scarry the grave responsibilities and butters which are laid upon their soulders to the honor and glory of God and the blessing and benefit of His isonic. May God bless us all. I ask it in the name of Josus Amen in the name of Jesus. Amen. ELDER MOSES W. TAYLOR.

(President of Summit Stake). My brethren and sisters, I desire an Merest in your faith and prayers,

kind. While we sometimes think we are the poorest people on the face of the earth, yet we know that out of Summit county comes most of the riches of the state. Nearly all the rich men of Utah have made their fortunes in Summit county, but they always move away when they get rich. Broth-er Clawson remarks, "then you must have the poor with you always." That is a true saying; but our poor, as a rule, are the independent poor. I have been in some of the wards where, af-ter the Bishops have collected the fast been in some of the Wards where, al-ter the Bishops have collected the fast offerings, they have asked me if they couldn't use them for the benefit of the ward: "because," they said. "we are all poor in this ward." That is about the way some of them talk; yet when I ask how many mortgages they have in their town, the reply is, "Oh, we have no mortgages, but we are all poor." Well, when a man is in a con-dition where he doesn't owe anything, we consider him well off; and we try to teach the people to show the best side. My father, President John Tay-lor, belleved in that idea. I remember a number of years ago Baron Roths-child, supposed to be the 'tichest man in the world, came to Utah. He had known my father in France when he was on a mission, and father desired to entertain him while he was here. He had an old carriage, and he had two black horses, and about a dozen boys, so he made a combination. He got the boys out, and we washed the harness, we blacked it with black oil, rubbed and moments the oth carries to make it book

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beys out, and we washed the harness, we blacked it with black oil, rubbed and greased the old carriage to make it look nice, and then on the morning of Rothschild's arrival father came out with a great big black cloak that he used to puit on in France. There were the horses, there was the carriage, all polished up and looking fine, and Rothschild didn't know but father was a millionaire. I say that the Latter-day Saints ought to put the best side out. I remember once gothe Latter-day same ought to put the best side out. I remember once go-ing up on the street after I had returned from my mission. My mother, in com-mon with the rest of the family, hav-ing passed through a great deal of trial and hard times, had got into the habit of saving-in fact she hardly knew of saving-in fact, she hardly knew how to do anything else. I had received an official appointment in Salt Lake City and the first thing I did was to buy me a new suit of clothes. With these clothes on, I was on the street, and father's carriage drove along and he had my mother in with him. He invited me into the carriage, and the first thing my mother said upon

and the first thing my mother said upon seeing my new suit was. "You extra-vagant boy. You'll go to ruin, sure. You're always buying something like that." I can remember my father's remark. He said, "Pshaw, pshaw, let the boy dress in accordance with his position." And so I thought. It's a good idea to put the best side out. I was very glad to see in the paper the other day big headines which read. other day big headlines which read, "Clean out your back yards." On one with us, and we went to a house to select a Bishop. When we put up our team, we had to climb over so much manure to get to the barn that the Apostle said, and I said, too, "That man will never do for a Bishop." So brethren, clean out your back yards. Make everything clean and respectable, so that the Lord and His angels would be giad to come and dwell with you. be glad to come and dwell with you. Even a common man like the president of a stake does not want to dwell with you if your houses are unclean. Keep the best side out, and if you do, the Lord will bless you and increase you in many ways. May the Lord bless us all, I ask in the name of Jesus. Amen. ELDER THOMAS E. BASSETT.

(President of Fremont Stake.) I feel honored, my brethren and sis-

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I give all the praise to Wine of Cardui, for it is the only medicine I took, and although my doctor tried to get me to take other medicine during the time I laid in bed after baby came, I told him that Wine of Cardul was good enough alice Kunter for me and would take nothing else.

Little Alice