

to the greatest extent, was that of infidelity. So ably was the subject handled that any one who listened to the speakers, who had before had doubt of the existence of a God, would have been convinced that they were in error, and all the evidence they may have possessed, when confronted with the overwhelming evidence and truth advanced, would have vanished as the mist before the sun.

Considering the busy season of the year in which the conference was held, the meetings were fairly well attended. The Relief society conference was held on Saturday the 12th.

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UTAH WEATHER AND CROPS.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah Sept. 15, 1898.—Weather Crop Bulletin, No. 24.—The weather conditions during the week ending September 14 h, 1898, were very favorable in all sections of the State for harvesting operations. Thunder showers occurred on the 8th and 9th. In Salt Lake, Weber, Beaver, Utah, Box Elder, Cache, Wasatch, Summit, Tooele, Juab and Millard counties, in amounts ranging from a trace to .26 of an inch. Killing frost on the 10th and 11th, destroyed everything of a tender nature in many districts throughout the central and northern sections of the State. The fruit seems to have escaped without much injury. The last three days of the week were warm and sunny, and exceptionally fine farm work. The hay crop is about all cut and hauled, and most of the grain is in the stack. Threshing is general in all sections. The yield of all kinds of grain is reported as being about the average. Corn is being cut, beets are being dug, and plowing for fall seedling has commenced. In a few localities some fall sowing has been done.

Levan—A cold wave struck this part of the State on the 9th; froze tender vines night of 10th and 11th; cutting and hauling corn the order of the day.

St. George—High wind on night of 9th from the southwest, and cold wind from the west on the 10th; maximum temperature 95; minimum temperature 43 on the 10th; no rainfall.

Soligo—Hay and grain mostly hauled; thrashing commenced Monday; frost night of 10th, killed corn, vines etc.; fine hot weather since; maximum temperature 83; minimum temperature 80; .16 of an inch of rainfall.

New Harmony—The week has been very favorable to late crops.

Layton—No rain yet; the week has been windy; a little frost on Thursday and Friday; the watermelon and tomato vines touched.

Rockport—The past week has been cold and windy with light showers Tuesday; frost Wednesday and Thursday killed cucumber and tomato vines; grain not hurt any yet.

Lake Shore—Lucern seed is turning out good—some average eight bushels to the load; there is quite a lot of grain to thresh yet; the past week has been good for farm work; light rain on afternoon of 8th, and heavy rain with thunder on afternoon of 9th.

Huntsville—The growing season is past in this valley; a killing frost on

the 10th and 11th destroyed everything of a tender nature; farmers busy hauling grain; thrashing commenced. Rainfall, .06 of an inch.

Center—It has been a very disagreeable week; the first part was showery, with a heavy rainstorm on Tuesday; severe frost on the 10th froze potatoes, corn and all tender vines.

Payson—Cutting corn; frost on the 10th did some damage; hauling last of hay, third cutting; crop yield fair for grain of all kinds; potatoes good; heavy rain and hail on 8th.

Tooele—The weather has been fair but windy; corn cutting has begun and there is a fair crop. We need weather for our fall plowing.

Croyden—Mostly fine weather with some wind; hard frost on the 10th, cut potatoes to the ground; second crop of lucern much damaged by frost; second crop of lucern about half cut.

Coalville—Showers on 7th and 8th; hard frost on 9th, blackened potatoes, all tender vegetables and flowers; second crop of lucern being cut; grain harvest well advanced.

Spring City—First part of last week was cold; frost night of 10th; three threshing machines busy at present and more getting ready to start; grain and lucern nearly all hauled; corn being gathered.

Heber—Hail fell on the 8th, about 1 p. m. followed by a gentle rain which continued until next morning; heavy freeze on the morning of 11th, killing all tender vines; heavy gale from the south all day Saturday, interfering with hauling of second crop of lucern which is being out and hauled; some grain hauled and stacked; threshing commenced; grain, potatoes, and even everything good crops; rainfall .26 of inch; maximum 82, minimum 25.

Kaysville—The past week has been very cold; no damage from frost; threshing nearly completed; fall planting commenced; acreage will be as large as usual.

Cache Junction—Past week very cold; nights of 8th and 9th, stormy; hard frost night of 10th; fall plowing commenced; no grain put in yet.

Newton—The weather of past week was generally favorable for harvest work, which is nearing completion; hard frost morning of 10th, killed all tender vines; tomato vines froze to the ground; threshing about half done. No fall plowing or seeding done yet.

Portage—Rain 7th and 8th, with thunder and lightning on 8th; killing frost 10th and 11th, damaged squash, lucern, etc.

Deweyville—The past week set in warm, but showers on the 7th and 8th cooled the atmosphere; the 9th and 10th were very cool, since then the weather has got warmer; farmers are busy cutting and hauling lucern seed; some winter wheat is being put in; all threshing machines are kept busy.

Brigham City—Thunder storm with strong northwest wind and .04 of an inch of rain on the evening of the 7th. Cloudy at midday with light showers on the 8th. Frost on the night of 9th, not so hard as to kill tender vines.

Lehi—The past week has been good for late crops. Beet digging and beet factory in operation; third cutting of lucern good.

Joseph—It has been cold and stormy until Thursday when it cleared up

with a frost which nipped vines and lucern; no frost since but warm and nice with light winds.

Utah—This has been a week of variable weather, the thermometer at its highest 94, and its lowest 42. Frost played havoc with melons, cucumbers and squash vines in the low lands; fruit is not injured.

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ELDER THOMAS ROGERS.

The funeral services over the remains of Elder Thomas Rogers were held at the family residence, in Farmington, Friday morning. A large concourse of friends and relatives were in attendance. The deceased was one of the early settlers of this country and many of the pioneers were there to pay their last respects to their old friend and comrade.

The services were presided over by Bishop Seerist. The Farmington ward choir rendered the hymn, The Resurrection Day, which was followed by an invocation by Elder C. W. Stayner. Mrs. Dora Robinson sang Eliza R. Snow's beautiful hymn, O, My Father. Bishop Seerist was the first speaker. He paid a tribute to the integrity of Brother Rogers whom he had known for many years, and whom he had always found ready to perform whatsoever was asked of him. Elder John W. Hens addressed remarks of consolation to the bereaved family and paid further tributes to the departed one, whose life here on earth had been one of "peace and good will to all men." Elder Brigham Young of the Council of the Apostles then addressed the mourners and friends; he had been associated with Brother Rogers in the earlier history of the Church as a missionary to Europe and also as an Indian fighter, Brother Rogers having been one of the trusty minute men of Utah's early days. In the course of his remarks Elder Young set forth the hope of the Latter-day Saints as regards their dead, and referred to death as being rather the "inception not the destruction of life." In closing he said, "Brother Thomas Rogers has gone to meet his God; to rest with the righteous and the faithful who have gone before. The lesson we learn in this is, 'Be ye also ready.'" He closed his tribute to the memory of the dead by invoking God's choicest blessings upon the living.

A quartette composed of Mrs. Dora Robinson, soprano, Miss Mamie Clark, contralto, Nephi O. Palmer, tenor, and Jos. E. Robinson, basso, very artistically rendered I Need Thee Every Hour.

The benediction was pronounced by Elder Jacob Miller.

The sons and relatives of the dead acted as pall bearers. The remains were taken to Salt Lake City this afternoon for interment, where the parents of Elder Rogers are buried.

Thomas Rogers was a native of Faloot, Scotland, and was in his 69th year. He has been identified with Farmington since the first settlers moved here and his friends extend over the past generations of Utah's history. He leaves a wife and six children and many grandchildren.