

dent Smith in relation to the Twelve and that they proceed accordingly to the duties of their office.

President Rigdon then made some appropriate remarks on speculation.

Moved, that the conference accept the doings of the Twelve in designating certain individuals to certain cities, &c.; when President Joseph Smith remarked that the conference had already sanctioned the doings of the Twelve; and it belonged to their office to transact such business, with the approbation of the First Presidency; and he would then state what cities should be built up—viz., Nauvoo, Zarahemla, Warren, Nashville and Ramus.

Resolved, that the conference adjourn to the general conference in October next.

Closed with prayer by President Young.

BRIGHAM YOUNG, President.

ELIAS SMITH, } Clerks.  
LORENZO BARNES. }

— 19.—Elders Kimball, Richards and I went to Warsaw, and examined the town plat of Warren, which is situated about a mile south of the village of Warsaw, and made some arrangements with the proprietors for building up the place.

— 26.—Elders Kimball, O. Pratt, Richards, Taylor, Geo. A. Smith and myself, wrote an Epistle to the Churches.

— 31.—Met in council with the Twelve, when the following resolutions, among others, were unanimously passed:—

“That we sustain Joseph Smith as Trustee in Trust for the church, and advise him to have all lands belonging to the church deeded in his name as Trustee.

That Elder Lorenzo Barnes proceed on his mission to England without delay, that Harrison Sagers go to Jamaica, Joseph Ball to South America, and Simeon Carter to Germany.”

September 2.—I was elected a member of the City Council, in place of Don Carlos Smith, deceased.

On my return from England, I found my family living in a small unfinished log cabin, situated on a low wet lot, so swampy that when the first attempt was made to plow it the oxen mired; but after the city was drained, it became a very valuable garden spot.

Although I had to spend the principal part of my time, at the call of bro. Joseph, in the service of the church, the portion of time left me I spent in draining, fencing and cultivating my lot, building a temporary shed for my cow, chinking and otherwise finishing my house; and as the ground was too damp to admit of a cellar underground, I built one with two brick walls about four or six inches apart, arched over with brick; frost never penetrated it, although in summer articles would mildew in it.

October 2.—I attended conference; much valuable instruction was given by the President, Joseph Smith. I addressed the conference with regard to the appointment of suitable missionaries, and in regard to the importance of teaching abroad the first principles of the gospel, and letting alone those principles they did not understand; also on the propriety of many of the elders remaining at home, and working on the Lord's House, and the necessity of more liberal consecrations and more energetic efforts to forward the work of building the Temple and Nauvoo House. The congregation was immense, and the greatest unanimity prevailed.

— 6.—I was very sick: Elders Kimball, Richards and Woodruff laid hands upon me and I recovered.

— 7.—Met with the Twelve at Elder Taylor's, and appointed missionaries to labor in the States. Also chose Elders Richards, Taylor and myself a committee of three to draft an address to the eastern churches, as directed by the General Conference.

— 9.—Met in council with the Twelve.

— 10.—Met with the Twelve for the purpose of holding a council, but spent most of the day in visiting the sick.

— 12.—Bros. Richards, Taylor and myself wrote a long Epistle to the brethren scattered abroad on the continent of America, which was signed by eight of the Twelve, and published in the Times and Seasons.

— 23.—With Elders Richards and Taylor I attended a conference at Lima; 424 members were represented, including 54 officers. We taught the brethren on the necessity of finishing and completing the House of the Lord, in preference to anything else. The brethren unanimously voted to devote one tenth of their time and property to the building of the Temple at Nauvoo, under the superintendence of Pres. Isaac Morley and his counselors.

— 24.—We continued our conference and preached to the brethren.

— 29.—Met in council with the Twelve.

— 30.—I met with the Presidency and Twelve at Hyrum's office. Joseph spoke on a variety of subjects—the gathering of nations,

the building up of the kingdom of God, and the traditions and wickedness of this generation.

November 1 and 6.—Attended City Council.

— 7.—Bro. Joseph and several of the Twelve called on me; we went to meeting, when Joseph spoke on temperance, virtue, charity and truth. After the meeting I met with the Twelve and High Priests' Quorum. The word of wisdom was brought up; I expressed my views upon the subject, and said I considered it wisdom to use all things put into our hands, according to the best judgment God would give us: wisdom was justified of her children.

— 8.—I attended the dedication of the baptismal font in the Lord's House: President Smith called upon me to offer the dedicatory prayer. This is the first font erected and dedicated for the baptisms for the dead, in this dispensation.

— 13.—Attended City Council.

— 14 (Sunday).—Met in council with the Twelve to prepare an Epistle to the Saints in Europe.

— 15.—Finished an Epistle of the Twelve Apostles to the Saints scattered abroad in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, the Isle of Man, and the eastern continent, which was published in the Times and Seasons.

— 17.—I accompanied Elder Richards to La Harpe.

— 18.—We met with the brethren, and settled some difficulties existing in the branch.

— 20.—I met with six others of the Twelve in council, at my house, on the subject of the Times and Seasons, the quorum not being satisfied with the manner Gustavus Hill had conducted the editorial department.

— 21 (Sunday).—Bros. Hyrum Smith and John Taylor preached. At 4 p.m., bros. Kimball, Taylor and I baptized about forty persons in the font, for the dead; bros. Richards, Woodruff and Geo. A. Smith confirming. These were the first baptisms for the dead in the font.

— 28.—Bro. Joseph and the Twelve spent the day in council at my house.

— 30.—Met in council with Joseph and the Twelve at my house, in relation to the Times and Seasons.

December 1.—The Twelve met in council, and wrote an Epistle against rogues, thieves and scoundrels, which was published.

On the 4th and 5th, attended a conference at Ramus, and discontinued the organization of the church at Ramus as a stake.

— 8.—Returned from Ramus with the Twelve who attended conference. We brought about a thousand dollars worth of property for the Temple, which had been donated by the Saints at Ramus, consisting of horses, wagons, provisions, clothing, &c.

— 12.—I met with the Twelve in the morning, and also in the evening at bro. H. C. Kimball's.

— 13.—The Twelve wrote an Epistle to the Saints of the last days.

— 15.—I met with the Twelve at bro. Kimball's.

— 19.—The Twelve met in council at my house this morning. In the evening we met at Joseph's house, when Elder Kimball preached; he was followed by bro. Joseph and myself.

— 25.—I partook of a Christmas supper with the Twelve at bro. Hiram Kimball's.

— 26 (Sunday).—I attended meeting at Joseph's house with several of the Twelve. Brothers Hyrum and Joseph Smith and I preached.

— 27.—I met with the Twelve at bro. Joseph's. He conversed with us in a familiar manner on a variety of subjects, and explained to us the Urim and Thummin which he found with the plates, called in the Book of Mormon the interpreters. He said that every man who lived on the earth was entitled to a seer stone, and should have one, but they are kept from them in consequence of their wickedness, and most of those who do find one make an evil use of it: he showed us his seer stone.

January 1, 1842.—I spent the day in company with the quorum of the Twelve, with our families, at bro. Sylvester B. Stoddard's. He had prepared a feast for us, and we felt thankful to the Lord for this privilege of meeting together with our families at the home of the Saints. In the evening I attended the City Council, which continued till midnight.

— 2 (Sunday).—I attended meeting at bro. Joseph's house.

— 6.—I attended conference at Zarahemla with bro. Hyrum and several of the Twelve. The stake was discontinued, by order of bro. Joseph, and a branch organized: John Smith was appointed president.

— 10.—I visited at bro. Taylor's; several of the Twelve and others were present, with their

families. We had a pleasant time conversing on the things of the kingdom.

— 12.—Met in council with the Twelve, and suspended Benjamin Winchester for disobedience to the First Presidency.

— 17.—I met in council with the Twelve at Joseph's office. We consulted in relation to the printing and publishing, the council being unanimously opposed to E. Robinson's publishing the Book of Mormon, and other standard works of the church, without being counseled so to do by the First Presidency.

— 20.—I attended a special conference of the church, concerning Dr. Isaac Galland, who had been appointed by Pres. Joseph Smith an agent to transact business for the church. I was appointed to notify Galland that his agency was revoked.

— 26.—Accompanied by Elders Geo. A. Smith and James Ivins, I went to Keokuk and visited Dr. Galland, and officially notified him that his power of attorney as agent for the church was revoked, and asked him to return his papers, which he did.

We returned to Nauvoo on the 27th.

— 28.—The Lord having revealed through Joseph that the Twelve should take in hand the editorial department of the Times and Seasons, I bought the printing establishment, for and in behalf of the church, from bro. Ebenezer Robinson, at a very exorbitant price. The reason I paid such a price was, because the Prophet directed the Twelve to pay him whatever he asked. One item of his bill was \$800, for the privilege of publishing the Times and Seasons, or good will of the office.

— 29.—Spent the day in council with the Prophet Joseph and Elders Kimball and Richards: we received excellent teachings.

— 30.—I attended meeting at Joseph's house. He preached in the morning and in the evening, concerning the different spirits, their operations, designs, &c.

— 31.—In council with the Prophet and the Twelve, in the evening, concerning bro. Snider and the printing office.

February 3.—In council upon the subject of the printing office. Elders Taylor and Woodruff were appointed to take charge of, and conduct the same.

— 6 (Sunday).—Went to La Harpe, accompanied by Elder Kimball, and held a two days meeting.

— 12.—Attended the City Council.

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— 18.—Attended an adjourned meeting of the City Council.

— 19.—In council with the Prophet, Elder Kimball and others.

— 21.—I wrote a letter calling upon the churches to forward their tithings and donations to the Trustee in Trust, that the Temple may go on, and the new translation of the Bible.

March 5.—Attended the City Council.

— 11.—Attended the High Council, at the trial of Francis Gladden Bishop, who had set himself up as a Prophet and Revelator to the church. After his revelations were read, which were a bundle of nonsense and folly, they were committed to the flames, and he was cut off from the church, and delivered over to the buffetings of Satan.

— 20 (Sunday).—Attended meeting, and heard Joseph preach on the ordinances of the gospel and the resurrection of the dead, after which he baptized eighty in the river. I officiated with the Twelve at the font, in baptizing and confirming for the dead. We wrote a long Epistle to the Saints in Europe, which was signed by ten of the Twelve, and published.

— 26.—Elder John Snider was blessed and set apart for his mission to England by Pres. Joseph Smith and Elders Richards, Page and myself.

April 6, 7, and 8.—I attended a special conference.

On the 8th, in company with Elders Kimball, O. Pratt, Richards, Woodruff, Geo. A. Smith, and Wight, we ordained 275 elders, being the most ordained in one day since the foundation of the church.

— 9.—Attended the funeral of Ephraim Marks: bro. Joseph delivered an address on the occasion. 2 p.m., attended City Council.

— 12.—The Twelve met with bro. Joseph, and appointed bros. Kimball, Taylor and myself a committee to make arrangements for the payments due from Pres. Smith, as Trustee in Trust, to Mr. Wilkie, and agreed to unite our influence with the brethren to consecrate their old notes, deeds, and obligations which they hold against each other, to the building of the Temple in Nauvoo, upon which subject Elder

Richards was authorized to write an Epistle in the name of the Twelve, which epistle was signed by ten of the quorum, and published in the Times and Seasons.

— 24 (Sunday).—I called upon Elder Woodruff, who was sick with the chills and fever, and laid hands upon him and he was healed, when he accompanied me in a wagon to the prairie, where we laid hands on others of the sick.

May 4.—I met with Joseph, Hyrum, Heber, Willard, Bishops Whitney and Miller, and Gen. James Adams, in Joseph's private office, where Joseph taught the ancient order of things for the first time in these last days, and received my washings, anointings, and endowments.

— 5.—I attended Council as yesterday, and we administered to bro. Joseph the same ordinances.

— 14.—Attended City Council during the day. In the evening attended council of the Twelve, and silenced B. Winchester until he make satisfaction.

— 15 (Sunday).—I attended meeting at the Grove, and addressed the Saints in the forenoon: bro. Woodruff preached in the afternoon. At the close of the meeting I repaired to the font, with several of the Twelve; bros. Woodruff and Rich baptized about 100 for the remission of sins, and for their dead. I confirmed those baptized, assisted by other elders.

— 19.—I attended City Council. Joseph Smith was elected Mayor, John C. Bennett having resigned.

— 23.—Attended special meeting of the City Council.

June 14.—Met in council with the Twelve, and appointed Hiram Clark to go to England, and take charge of the shipping business in place of Elder Amos Fielding.

— 18.—A special meeting was held, at which several thousands of the citizens of Nauvoo assembled, near the Temple; they were addressed by the Prophet on the subject of the impositions practised upon our immigration by land speculators, who frequently sold them lands to which they had no title, and other subjects. I was appointed, in connection with bros. H. C. Kimball, Hyrum Smith, and Geo. A. Smith, as a committee to wait upon the immigrants, and give them counsel and aid in procuring them places on which to settle.

— 26 (Sunday).—I addressed the Saints on the principle of union in building up the city, and sustaining the poor by providing labor for them. Six p.m., I attended council at bro. Joseph's, to take into consideration the situation of the pine country and lumbering business, and other subjects of importance to the church; after which we spent a season in prayer that the Lord would deliver us from the power of our enemies, and provide means for us to build houses as he had commanded his people.

— 29.—Rode out with the Prophet, and looked at lands the church had for disposal.

July 16.—I copy from the Wasp:—

“PHRENOLOGICAL CHART OF ELDER BRIGHAM YOUNG.

By A. Crane, M.D., Professor of Phrenology. PROPENSITIES.

Amativeness.—7, F. Very partial to the opposite sex; generally reciprocated by them.

Philoprogenitiveness.—10, L. Strong parental affection; great solicitude for their happiness.

Inhabitiveness.—9, L. Love of homestead very strong; extremely fond of early reminiscences of birthplace, &c.

Adhesiveness.—10, L. Unalterable affection when once fixed; enduring all things for their sakes.

Combativeness.—7, F. Great powers of exertion, and sustaining under opposition and difficulties.

Destructiveness.—5, M. Ability to control the passions, and is not disposed to extreme measures.

Secretiveness.—7, F. Proper reserve; prudent expression of feeling, without bluntness or deceitfulness.

Acquisitiveness.—5, M. Freeness to spend money; love of it chiefly for its uses and what it will buy.

Alimentativeness.—6, F. A good appetite, but not excessive; partiality for a variety of rich hearty dishes.

Vitateness.—6, M. or S. Indifference to life; views the approach of death without fear.

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Cautiousness.—7, F. Provision against prospective dangers and ills, without hesitation or irresolution.

Approbativeness.—8, F. or M. Decent regard for popularity, fame, praise, and a good name.

Self-esteem.—7, F. Self-confidence and complacency, without much pride or conceit.

Concentrativeness.—8, F. Can dwell on a subject without fatigue, and control the imagination.