

Correspondence.

Travelling—Conference—Visit by the Queen—Visit to the King.

LAIE, Oahu, Hawaiian Islands,
April 10th, 1877.

F. A. Mitchell:

Dear Brother—I take this opportunity to write you a few lines that you may know in brief where I am and what I have been doing, since my arrival upon these lands. I found the foreign brethren, sisters and children all well, including my nephew Samuel P., who, upon my arrival was released from his labors, with liberty to return home. As his field included the islands of Oahu and Kauai, I was appointed to look after the interests of the Church upon those islands until our next semi-annual conference. I accordingly sailed, Feb. 1st, on board the schooner *Marion*, Captain Nika, for Kauai, where I arrived after being out fifty-one hours. The captain is a large intelligent native and a member of the Church. While on our voyage down I succeeded in converting his wife, and I baptized her when we arrived at Kaloa. While I was upon the Island of Kauai I visited all the branches of the Church upon that island, and held a native conference at Koloa on the 24th and 25th of February.

March 10th I embarked on board the schooner *Kamaila* for Honolulu, and arrived there on the 12th. Started next day on a tour around this island, accompanied by Bro. J. S. Woodbury, who, with Bro. Jacob Gates, jun., had arrived from Utah while I was upon Kauai. We made a circuit of Oahu, visiting all the branches, holding meetings, teaching the Saints in regard to their duties, so far as we could gather them together to listen to us, until Sunday, April 1st, when we held our native conference at Honolulu for the island of Oahu. Soon after 11 o'clock a. m., when the principal part of the business of the conference had been concluded, and while I was speaking, a native dressed in livery, with sabre by his side, entered the room, coming directly to the front of the stand, where Bro. Koli was sitting, and informed him that Her Majesty Queen Kapiolani, had arrived in her carriage for the purpose of attending our meeting. Bros. Koli and Pack met her Majesty at the door and escorted her up the aisle to a seat just to the left, but nearly in front of the stand, the congregation in the meantime rising to their feet. I ceased speaking until silence was restored, when I continued my remarks, bearing testimony to the truths of the everlasting gospel, showing that by yielding obedience thereunto it would have tendency to check the tide of corruption and the now rapid decrease of this nation.

Bro. Pack followed, with many instructive remarks, which gave her Majesty something to reflect upon for some time. At the close of the meeting I was formally introduced to the Queen by Brother Koli, who, as you are no doubt aware, is an eminent lawyer and a member of the King's household.

The native Saints, having surmised that the Queen purposed visiting our Conference, built a bowery in front of our meeting-house and had prepared a feast in genuine native style for the occasion. A separate place having been prepared on a mat under the bowery for Her Majesty, the foreign Elders, Koli, Kaai and his wife Nabinu, we gathered around and freely partook of the collation prepared for us. The Queen seemingly enjoyed it as well as any of us. While we were eating, the Kahaua choir discoursed sweet music, and some of the native sisters decorated the Queen and the foreign brethren with leis of flowers and evergreens.

At one o'clock the Queen said she would have to return, as she had an appointment to fill elsewhere. The natives pressed around her, many kissing her hand and manifesting great love for their Queen.

As it had not been convenient for Brother Pack and me to meet in Honolulu together until now, the books which you sent by me to the King were still in my possession. We accordingly took the opportunity to seek an interview with His Majesty Kalakaua, when we were informed that he would receive us at 10 a. m. the following day. At the time appointed, Brother Pack and I proceeded to the Court House,

where we found Koli, and as he was about conducting a suit in court, he requested Kaai to take us to His Majesty. We found him at his Makai residence, superintending the construction of a fish pond. He received us very cordially and invited us into his house. After a few minutes conversation I informed His Majesty that I had lately arrived from Utah, and was the bearer of some books portraying the principles of our faith, which you had sent him in accordance with a conversation you had with him previous to your return home. I placed the books in his own hands, consisting of the Book of Mormon, Book of Doctrine and Covenants, Voice of Warning, and Key to Theology. At the same time I requested him to read them, and took the opportunity in a few words to bear my testimony to him that they contained the words of life and salvation to all who would read and obey. The King replied that he recollected the conversation referred to and that he would read them and wished me to thank you for the same, and give you his kind regard.

Bro. Pack took the opportunity to call His Majesty's attention to a petition that had been sent to him some time since, asking that our Elders might have licenses granted them to solemnize marriages, the same as were accorded to other denominations. The King said that the administration in power previous to his ascending the throne was very much prejudiced against us, but he felt perfectly willing that we should receive and enjoy all the privileges possessed by other religious denominations in his kingdom. He said he had of late instructed the Minister of the Interior in regard to the license question. He advised Bro. Pack to write to the Minister of the Interior, suggesting such names as he would like to have receive license, &c. He spoke of his regret in not being able to visit Salt Lake while on his eastern tour, and enquired concerning the natives living there.

Before we retired, the Queen entered the room and shook hands with us, remarking that she enjoyed herself much at our meeting the day previous and hoped it would not be the last time.

We remained about three-quarters of an hour, when we bid their Majesties Kalakaua and Kapiolani adieu, feeling that the time had been very profitably and agreeably spent by us all.

We have just adjourned our semi-annual conference here at Laie, having been in session three days. The natives at this place generally feel well, as you doubtless are aware they are the best ones that have gathered here; according to the instructions of the servants of God who are laboring among them. According to my observations while I have been traveling upon the islands of Kauai and Oahu, I find but little if any change for the better with the natives from what they were twenty-two years ago, when I used to labor among them. Many of them are in better circumstances financially, and many are indifferent and careless in regard to their religion. The moral status of the people generally is truly deplorable, and it is no wonder that the nation is so rapidly decreasing.

At our conference just closed, Brother Woodbury and I were appointed to labor on the island of Hawaii for the next six months, Brother Keeler on the islands of Kauai and Oahu, Brothers Molan and Gates upon the islands of Maui, Molakai and Lanai. Brothers Woolley and Lambert will remain for the present upon this island.

The brethren, sisters and children from Utah are all well.

Please remember me to all inquiring friends.

Your brother in the Gospel,
H. P. RICHARDS.

P. S.—April 6.—His Royal Highness Leleiohoku, heir apparent to the throne, died on the 10th inst., and Mrs. Dominis, sister to the king, has been appointed heir apparent to fill his place.
H. P. R.

Preaching—Health—Crop Prospects.

LEHI, May 8th, 1877.

Editor Deseret News.

At 10 o'clock this morning Apostles John Taylor and Lorenzo Snow, Bishop Harrington, and some few other brethren whose names I do not know, arrived here to fill an appointment, at which

time our meeting house was well filled.

After singing and prayer Elder Lorenzo Snow spoke kindly of the hospitality of the Saints to their company in travelling to and from St. George. He felt pleased in having the privilege of renewing his acquaintance with the Saints in Lehi, and spoke at some length upon the United Order. The time had come for the Latter day Saints to unite themselves together, for upon this our salvation depended. He advised the Saints to prepare to sustain themselves when our resources from Babylon were cut off, and combine our labor in making our own clothing, leather, furniture, etc. He referred to the institutions of Brigham City, their order of doing business, organization of their mechanics, etc.

Elder Taylor followed, reviewing the operations of the Church from the time the angel appeared to Joseph Smith, in the Elders going to the nations preaching the gospel, gathering the poor, &c. He spoke of the Order, showing the importance of the Saints being united in temporal as well as spiritual things, and said the Saints must come to a unity. Jesus said, "except ye are one ye are none of mine." We must be one in spirit and in works, etc.

The health of the people is improved to what it was during the winter.

Our agricultural prospects were never more encouraging than at present. Quite a large scope of new land has been sown this spring; nothing intervening, our prospects are fair for a large harvest of small grain.

Respectfully yours,
WM. SOUTHWICK.

The "Mormons" and Their Persecutors.

FAIRVIEW, Utah,
May 6th, 1877.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir—Annexed I send you an extract from a letter, with privilege to publish, if you wish, omitting names—

"Brother George:

"Dear Sir—These Mormons are a peculiar people. They have always contended with adversity, and yet they thrive. They claim to be the people of God, and it strikes the impartial observer that they possess a claim to the appellation. The leaders have prophesied, and their people have looked forward with full faith to the fulfillment of the predictions. And no one can say they have looked in vain. Mr. Smith once said something like the following—'With all its boasted freedom of thought and religion, the United States will yet persecute this people for their religion's sake.' It has been so. The Mormons have ever been the persecuted of this country. Their houses and lands have been confiscated, they driven from place to place, and their people, patriarch and prophet murdered, and this in a country the very foundation of which is religious freedom. Judge Story says, 'The government is free.' I allow this. 'The press is free.' Allowed. 'Religion is free.' I differ. The annals of the Mormons brand the statement with falsehood. In them are recitals of confiscations, robberies, and murders for religion's sake, and these, too, with the sanction, or, at least, without the hindrance, of the authorities. * * They believe that they are yet to save the Constitution of the United States. If this prediction of their prophet's be as literally fulfilled as the last mentioned, and many others, it would be but the fulfillment of prophecies a part of which have already been transferred to history."
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