

A very creditable exercise was taken through by the kindergarten department of the Springville school.

Brother J. W. Summerhays, of the Union Board, then addressed the conference; asked all to be still enough to hear the clock tick, was touched with the sight of so many children and the exercises. As a rule people not wealthy are humble; made the same application to our Sunday school; we need to have nothing but the old log school houses; now that we are better situated, we should still keep the spirit that actuated us in the old school house. Those called to labor in the Sunday school cause have an important mission—that of making Latter-day Saints of the children entrusted to their care.

Elder Karl G. Maeser bore testimony to the remarks of Brother Summerhays. The farmer knows what his crops are when they make their appearance in the spring. So it should be with the Sunday schools. When you go into the school you should know that it is a Latter-day Saint Sunday school. The ultimate point is to make Latter-day Saints of our children. Everything presented should be related to the Gospel and shown wherein it fits; show the children the handiwork of God that they may learn to acknowledge His hand in all things; plant within their heart a testimony of the work of God.

Elder George Goddard said the object of the conference is to benefit the children and all who attend; spoke of the second coming of the Savior and in order to prepare our children to meet Him we must teach them to become Latter-day Saints. Brother Goddard sang "Repent and be Washed Clean from Sin."

Singing, "Hope of Israel;" benediction by J. Williams.

At a special meeting of officers the matter of monthly fast was discussed. If adopted and there were good results and no conflict with the regular monthly fast, all right. Teachers should begin schools on time, and have no interruptions in the sessions. The nickel fund should be fully responded to—not begging. Every school should have teachers' meeting once a month, and have concert singing, with a good supply of song books. Minutes should be properly kept, and recorded after acceptance. The word of wisdom is very essential; the officers were urged to practice self-denial, for the lines will be drawn along this direction. The Articles of Faith and Ten Commandments should be emphasized.

Elder Maeser praised the class exercises of the conference, especially American Fork. The essentials are distinct pronunciation, repetition of the answer, and that all answers be given distinct and even. Where Sunday schools are crowded, is it advisable to divide the school; have some departments meet separately.

Bro. Summerhays spoke of the nickel fund; also advised that politics should be kept out of the Sunday schools.

Sunday afternoon—Singing, "When Shall We Meet Thee;" prayer by Brother Arthur Southwick; singing, "Utah, the Queen of the West."

The general and Stake officers were presented and unanimously sustained.

Brother James Hardy was released as Stake secretary and sustained as Stake librarian and E. H. Holt was sustained as Stake secretary.

A creditable exercise was given by the theological department of the Provo second ward Sunday school on the Articles of Faith.

Mr. J. M. Tanner, of the Union board, then addressed the conference; said it was gratifying to see the interest manifested in Sabbath school work; the purpose of the school is not limited to the benefit of those who attend, but it goes with them wherever they go. It is our inner life that has much to do with the life that is going on around us. We should live so that we will not fear to give forth our feelings and thoughts. The influence your feelings may and do act upon others. Christ introduced a new law. Previous to His time the moral laws were national, but He made them universal. We must live up to our inmost feelings and pay little regard to society. If you plant the principles of the Gospel in the children's mind they will always want to respect. We cannot think evil without contributing evil to the world.

Elder Summerhays followed; remarked that it was difficult to get young men interested in Sabbath school work; congratulated the young ladies on their exercises and encouraged them in the work; desired the Priesthood to aid in bringing in the young men to the Sabbath school.

Other remarks were made by Elders Maeser and Goddard, also by Superintendent Eggerdson, who thanked all who had contributed to make the conference a success and especially Brother Giles for his assistance during the conference.

Benediction by Elder Karl Maeser.
E. H. HOLT, Secretary.

A DEVOTED LIFE ENDED.

SALT LAKE CITY, Nov. 19, 1895.

I read a brief notice in the DESERT WEEKLY of Nov. 9th, regarding the death of Sister Mary Ann Tippett, late of Swanage, England, and being somewhat familiar with her life I have felt moved to write you in reference to her, so that her noble example of faith and self-sacrifice as a believer in the restored Gospel might be brought prominently before all the readers of your valuable paper. Sister Tippett received the Gospel nearly fifty years ago in her native land and has been an earnest advocate of its principles from that time to the day of her death. Her experience has been like many more who have received the truth in this dispensation; she met with determined opposition in embracing it, and in her case it can be truthfully said that the scripture was fulfilled wherein it declares the Lord would take "one of a city and two of a family" and bring them to Zion, for while she had a large family and numerous relatives she and one daughter were the only ones of her household who had the courage to unite with the unpopular church. To her, however, the doctrines of the Gospel were as the dew of heaven to the parched ground. She accepted them with joy and thanksgiving; and though the greater part of her life in England was spent separate from any organization of the

Church, yet she never faltered in her advocacy of the cause she had espoused. On the contrary she was "instant in season and out of season" in warning all with whom she came in contact of the restoration of the Gospel; in fact she labored like a missionary, dispatching of Church publications wherever she could and distributing tracts among the people; and when our Elders called on her they received a hearty welcome and found her ever ready to lend a helping hand, especially to go out on the streets and assist in holding open-air meetings.

She had hoped that the husband and others of her relatives would have received the Gospel, and no doubt her departure for this land was delayed many years on this account; but though her desire in this respect was not realized, it certainly can be said that there are other honest souls in Zion tonight whose hearts beat with responsive sentiments to those which animated her own as a result of her faithful and untiring labors.

But the subject that weighed most heavily upon her mind, and which she always contemplated with deep interest and pleasure, was that of salvation for the dead, and it is because of what I know of her in reference to this sublime principle of true religion that I have felt constrained to send you this feeble effort. She traced her eulogy back nearly three hundred years, and came to Utah about two years ago, having two desires burning in her soul: first, to enter the Temple of the Lord and complete the work necessary for the redemption of her kindred, and second, to lay her own body down in Zion's mountain home. On her arrival here she went to southern Utah and spent about a year with her only relative in this country, the daughter above referred to. But to remain there and rest, to her, was impossible, in view of the fact that her dear ones behind the veil were dependent upon her to work for them in the House of the Lord. So she made her way to Salt Lake City with this purpose in her thoughts by day and in her dreams at night. Arrive here she looked around for friends to assist her, but they were few indeed; for while many listened to her story, each had his or her own troubles and affairs to engage their attention, and they hurried on. She was not to be thwarted, however, in this last great object of her life. So in faith and prayer she pressed forward to its accomplishment, and the Lord in tender compassion remembered her, raising up a sincere and affectionate friend in the person of Apostle Franklin D. Richards, through whom she succeeded in commencing the work that was nearest her heart. And how she did rejoice in it! Oh that every Latter-day Saint would emulate her splendid example, and manifest the interest in this great labor which devotes upon the people of God, that characterized her effort!

She had almost completed her temple work when one evening the spirit impressed her to go to the home of an old friend by the name of Sister Harding, who lived in the Twenty-first ward. She complied with the suggestion of the "still, small voice," and never left the friend's house again till the day the funeral occurred. Her great anxiety and self-sacrifice for her friends be-