



THE TOWN OF DELTA.

"Mormon" Elders Kindly Received in the Colorado Mission.

Elder Charles F. Hulet writes from Ridgway, Colo., Dec. 31:

In connection with Elder W. J. Gurr, I have for the past two months been laboring in the West Colorado conference of the Colorado mission, and have found the inhabitants of Delta county to be an intelligent and highly cultured class of people, their educational privileges being the very best.

The town of Delta, situated 37 miles southwest from Denver, on the D & R. G. railway, at the junction of the Gunnison and Uncompahgre rivers, is a beautiful little village of a thousand inhabitants, lying as it does in the midst of a rich productive bottom land. It is on the western slope of the first range of the great Rockies, and is completely surrounded and protected by high mesas and mountain ranges, so that no severe storms ever reach here.

While laboring in this county we have received the best of treatment. We have, of course, had some opposition to contend with.

Especially do I wish to commend to you the kindness of Mr. R. R. Page and family (formerly of Utah), who during the three weeks of my companion's illness, at Paonia, (from which he has not yet recovered), cared for him as well as a person away from home could be cared for. The kindly families of Ridgway and Cory also deserve much credit for their kindness, for they are doing all in their power for the Elders.

There seems to be more or less fear of the "Mormon" Elders existing among the salaried ministers of the day, because of the comprehensiveness, truthfulness and simplicity of the doctrines which we advocate, and the ministers seldom attack us unless they are old in years and experience, and know that they are opposing an Elder who has been in their junior in years and in the ministry.

IN TENNESSEE.

Pleasing Experiences of the Elders There.

The following interesting account is from a letter by Elder T. J. Russon, dated Cleveland, Tenn., Dec. 4, 1902:

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In the evening President Rawlins and his aids met and asked the Lord to help them in assigning the Elders to their new companions and country. The next day we met in the same place, and when Elder Rawlins had assigned us to our new companions my testimony was made strong, for I knew that the Spirit of the Lord was with us.

After the meeting, Elder Amasa Rasmussen and I went to see a friend. The wife of the gentleman we went to see was sick. Providentially my companion had consecrated oil in the grip. We administered to the patient before we left. They asked us to come back and talk with them in the evening. We promised this, and when we returned we found the lady up getting supper. She did not look like the same person.

Next morning we went to her mother's home in McDonald, 21 miles from Chattanooga. We spent the morning there, talking on the Gospel. After dinner the lady of the house, Sister Rice, asked us to baptize her. Elder Rasmussen baptized her and I confirmed her. A wonderful mission.

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WORK IN THE SOUTH.

Five Days Conference Held at Black Shear, Ga., With Good Results.

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We have during the last month held conferences for the states of Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia. At the Florida conference, which was held at Blackshear, Ga., a town of about a thousand inhabitants, the local members bought a large tent and set it up on the ground of one of the members near his house. The meetings were well attended for two days, and at the close a demand was made that we continue another day. The next night a host were out to hear us and another demand was made that we continue over Sunday. The whole congregation voting for it, of course, we remained. This was a five days' session, three meetings a day, the town was stirred to its depths and there the prospects are bright. Many of the leading

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citizens attended the meetings. From there I went to Charleston, S. C., where we have recently opened up the work. There is one family of members there. We had the great Auditorium and a good conference for two days. The meetings were well attended by good people of the place and a good feeling prevails there toward us. The North Carolina and the Georgia conferences presented no new features, only that they were held in cities.

We are now at work in 13 cities, this being five cities more than reported a month ago. Our labor in relation to things is having some effect.

CONFERENCE IN OHIO.

Encouraging Reports from the Elders Present.

The subjoined items are from a letter dated Cleveland, O., Dec. 17, and signed by Elders W. H. Wilcox and H. B. Elder.

A joint conference of the North and South Ohio conferences was held in the Odd Fellows temple at Columbus, O., on Dec. 13, 14 and 15, with 14 Elders from North Ohio and 12 from South Ohio in attendance.

At 10 a. m. Saturday, Dec. 13, a business meeting was held in which all the Elders participated. At 4 p. m. we again assembled in the Odd Fellows temple in which all the Elders reported their labors for the past six months. Most of the Elders reported themselves as being in good health. All have enjoyed their labors.

The meeting at 7 p. m. was well attended by Saints, friends and a number of strangers. Elder W. W. Rawson was the first speaker, talking upon the first principles of the Gospel. Elder George B. Mann talked upon the personality of God. Elder Charles Paxton bore his testimony to the mission of Joseph Smith. Elder W. H. Wilcox of the North Ohio conference addressed the people upon the Prophet Joseph Smith's mission.

Sunday, Dec. 14, at 2 p. m., we again met. Elder Ben E. Rich being in attendance. Elder F. P. Dutton was the first speaker. He was followed by Elder H. B. Elder of the South Ohio conference. Elder Ben E. Rich occupied the remainder of the time.

At 7 p. m. another public meeting was held. Elder W. H. Wilcox addressed the congregation on the laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost. Elder C. H. Hyde followed. Elder Ben E. Rich next addressed us upon authority.

The brethren were called together Monday, Dec. 15, at 9:30 a. m., in capacity of Priesthood meeting. Every Elder bore his testimony. Elder W. H. Wilcox was notified of his release to return home, and Elder F. P. Dutton was appointed president of the North Ohio conference, with John J. McGregor as his first and W. E. Evans as his second counselor. The Church authorities were unanimously sustained. The Elders then received their appointments and left for their different fields of labor.

IN THE CITY OF FRANKFORT.

The Elder Feels Good in the Work For the Lord.

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bridge, who showed "infant baptism" to be illogical and unscriptural.

At 3 o'clock p. m. the time was occupied by native Elders. Thirteen ordinations to the Priesthood were performed.

At 7 o'clock p. m. the Saints of Hao, Marokau and Hikueru rendered a class exercise upon "The scattering and gathering of Israel." Elder J. Corbridge conducted the class.

Monday morning, Dec. 14, Elder Jos. E. Allen landed here feeling well. Meeting was held at 8 a. m. The time was occupied by two native Elders.

At 10 o'clock a. m. Elder Allen spoke a few words to the Saints. Elder Sheffield then spoke on "Spiritualism displacing to God."

At 4 o'clock p. m. "The second coming of Christ" was spoken upon by native Elders, the closing remarks were made by Elders M. O. Bell and J. T. Corbridge.

At 7 o'clock p. m. the Tanager Saints rendered a Book of Mormon subject, which was conducted by Elder Sheffield. Its rendition made the hearts of all present rejoice exceedingly. The Elders favored those present with a song.

The Elders are caused to rejoice and are greatly comforted to see our dark brothers so earnestly striving to elevate themselves to a higher and more excellent way of living.

But little proselyting is being done, there being so much prejudice shown by our opponents, but truth will prevail.

Elder J. T. Corbridge and M. O. Bell have been assigned to labor in the Gambler Isles, while Elders H. J. Sheffield and Jos. E. Allen will continue their labors in the Tuamotou group.

The natives are being very anxiously forward to the coming of the Book of Mormon. The Elders, though in an isolated condition, by the divine assistance are enjoying some of the most precious times of their lives.

The Deseret News is a very welcome visitor.

PORTLAND CONFERENCE.

Good Progress Reported From That Part of the Vineyard.

Elder Albert Call writes from Portland, Ore., Jan. 3:

The Portland annual conference was held Dec. 7, 1902. Elders Bramwell, Nibley and Jourdin, and Monson, with the Elders of the Portland and Salem conferences, numbering 15, were present.

Three meetings were held with a very good attendance. One Priesthood meeting was also held. The Elders were assigned to their different fields of labor. Elder Albert Call was called to preside over the Portland conference, and David Parkinson over the Salem.

The Elders are all enjoying their labors and great interest is being taken, and their efforts are being met with reasonable success. Sunday, Dec. 21, meeting was held commemorating the birthday of the Prophet Joseph Smith. Elders W. J. Life and Hyrum Anderson reviewed his life and prophesies.

The officers of the Sunday school gave a Christmas entertainment.

After Jan. 1, 1903, we are annexed to the Northwestern States mission, under Elder Nephil Pratt.

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In the European Mission.

[Millennial Star, Dec. 18, 1902.]

Arrivals.—The following Elders arrived in Liverpool per steamship California, Dec. 11, 1902: For Great Britain—Wallace Calder, Mill Creek; Edwin A. Bingham, Wilson; Roland J. Freeman, Burton; Frederick Barker, North Ogden; Orson B. Calder, Vernal; For Scandinavia—Lars P. Larson, Cleveland; Hans J. Hansen, Richfield; Don C. Sorenson, Ephraim; Franklin O. Hales, Milburn; Olaf E. Anderson, Salem; James C. Johnson, Logan; Ole H. Anderson, Hyrum; For Germany—Orin L. Miller, Union; For Switzerland—David Hirschi, Rockville; Alma Hochstrasser, Carlsruhe.

With the Elders who arrived on the 11th inst. was William D. Williams of Salt Lake City. He will visit relatives and friends and search for genealogy. Appointments.—The Elders for the British mission who arrived on the 11th inst. were appointed to labor as follows: Wallace Calder, Liverpool; Edwin A. Bingham, Grimsby; Roland J. Freeman, Nottingham; Frederick Barker, Bristol; Orson B. Calder, Manchester conference.

Returned Missionaries.—Elder Gaskell Romney, writing from Colonia Dublin, Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 24, 1902, says he returned home Dec. 17, 1902, from the Eastern States, where he labored as a missionary 26 months. He left Salt Lake City, Oct. 11, 1900, and arrived home Dec. 17, 1902. His entire mission was spent in the East Pennsylvania conference, over which he was called to preside as president the last six months. The work there is in a most prosperous condition, he says. The Church membership is continually increasing, and a large cir-

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George L. Smith, foreman of the Hooper Manufacturing Company's Works, Lockport, N. Y., says in a recent letter:

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HOW TO DRINK MILK.

Why it Disagrees With Some People.

When one needs a reviving stimulant after exhaustion nothing can rival the effects of hot milk sipped slowly.

Some people say they cannot digest milk and these are the people who drink it down quickly so that the digestive acids, in playing around it, form large curds which give trouble before they can be absorbed.

The right way is to sip the milk in small amounts, so that each mouthful, as it descends into the stomach, is surrounded by the gastric fluid, and when the whole glassful is down the effect is that of a spongy mass of curds, in and out of which the keen gastric juices course, speedily doing their work of turning the curd into peptones that the tissues can take up.

To make sure of complete digestion take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets afterwards, as the pepsin and diastase they contain increase the quantity and efficiency of the gastric juices and supply the natural digestive ferments which all weak stomachs lack.

Miss Anna Folger, a professional nurse, speaking of the value of Stuart's Tablets in convalescence, says: "In adult patients recovering from severe illness and especially in children where milk disagrees, one or two tablets overcome any distaste and seem to strengthen the stomach in a remarkably short time. I myself have used them daily for years, when my own digestion has suffered from the irregularities and loss of sleep consequent upon my occupation."

Not only children and invalids but professional people and others whose meals are necessarily hurried or irregular will find Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets of the greatest value in keeping up the tone and digestive vigor of the stomach.

They contain the active digestive ferments the lack of which is really the only cause of indigestion and stomach trouble, and the regular use of them after meals will probably cure any case of stomach trouble except such as arises from cancer or ulceration.

Many druggists have said that they sell more Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets than all other stomach remedies combined.

cle of warm friends have been made throughout the conference. He enjoyed the best of health all the time.

Elder Joshua Gardner of Annabella, Sevier county, was set apart for the Northwestern States mission Oct. 9, 1902, to return home Dec. 14, 1902. Upon arrival in the Indian field he was assigned to labor in the St. Johns conference. He labored as a canvassing Elder for the first 11 months; then he was chosen as president of the conference, and in that capacity for the past 13 months. He states that the conference is in a very prosperous condition, and the Elders are laboring most assiduously, with the result that good work is being done. He says there is considerable change in the sentiments of the people toward the Latter-day Saints.

Elder W. T. Orrock of Richfield, Sevier county, reached home Dec. 21, from the Northwestern States mission, whither he was sent Nov. 1900, being assigned to labor in the Indiana conference, meeting with fair success.

Elder Angus J. Fillmore of Burrville, Sevier county, reports by letter of his return from a 27-months' mission in the Northwestern States, to which he was assigned Oct. 8, 1900. He labored with gratifying success in the Austin, Tex., and South Texas conferences, presiding over the latter for seven months previous to his release, Dec. 22.

Elder G. E. Craner of Oakley, Cassia county, Idaho, was set apart Oct. 8, 1900, to labor in the Northwestern States mission, and labored for 18 months in the Lone Star conference of Texas. He reports by letter that he has but joy and thankfulness to express over his missionary experience, being uniformly well treated by the kind and charitable people of Texas.

He had a place to stay every night without intruding upon the generosity of Uncle Sam and traveled without purse or scrip, except for six weeks, while canvassing the City of Waco, Tex. Together with companions he sold some 800 books and during the last five months he and Elder James Brinknerhoff held nearly one hundred public meetings, mostly in schoolhouses.

Elder F. F. Knowlton of Grantsville, Tooele county, who was set apart Oct. 8, 1900, arrived home Dec. 26, after a prosperous mission in the Northwestern States, where he labored as a canvassing Elder for 14 months in the St. John conference, latterly as assistant to the president. The Elders are well received and are doing an excellent work, though the ministers are very bitter in their opposition. Elder Batty assisted in the baptism of 11 honest souls.

Elder Alma A. Morris of Hunter, Salt Lake county, returned Jan. 1 from a mission to Australia, whither he was sent April 1, 1900. He labored for 13 months in the New South Wales conference, and for 14 months in Tasmania, where he reports the Gospel work is making favorable progress. Seven persons were baptized in Sydney the day before he left. The Elders are pretty well received and kindly treated in Australia.

Elder Joseph F. Batty of Toquerville, Washington county, reached this city Jan. 2 from the Northwestern States mission, to which he was assigned Dec. 5, 1900. He labored in the Oklahoma conference for six months, and the remainder of the time in the St. John conference, latterly as assistant to the president. The Elders are well received and are doing an excellent work, though the ministers are very bitter in their opposition. Elder Batty assisted in the baptism of 11 honest souls.

Elder Axel F. Anderson of Vineyard, Utah county, returned Jan. 3 from missionary labors in Scandinavia, to which he was assigned March 23, 1900. He labored in the Aalborg conference and had an enjoyable mission. Together with three other Elders he was arrested and catechized by the police, but dismissed. He labored specially in Fredericksburg, where there is a fine branch of the Church. A member of the Church is building a large hall for a meeting place of the Saints, which will be ready by May 1.

Elder Edward J. Gardner of this city returned Jan. 3 from missionary labors in England and Germany. He was set apart Oct. 8, 1900, and went first to Germany, where he remained for 10 months, and was then transferred to the Bristol conference in England. He reports the work in both fields to be a progressive and satisfactory condition.

Elder Christian P. Christensen of Richfield, Sevier county, passed through this city Jan. 3 from a mission in Scandinavia, to which he was assigned Aug. 10, 1900. His field of labor was in the Aalborg conference, Denmark, where he presided over the branch for nearly a year. The work of the ministry is in a prosperous condition. There is a membership in that conference of about 250, and 12 Elders now remain there. The missionaries meet with courteous and kind treatment.

Elder Wm. F. Murphy of Sugar, Salt Lake county, returned Jan. 3 from a mission to Ireland, for which he was set apart Sept. 5, 1900. He reports the work in Ireland to be a fine and rapid progress. There is a fine branch in Dublin, and the future prospects are very encouraging. There are 10 Elders from Zion now in Ireland, and the conference is presided over by Elder

Robert Willis of Tooele, taking the place of Elder Murphy.

Elder Carl Mattson of Sallina, Sevier county, returned Jan. 3 from a mission in Scandinavia, to which he was assigned July 10, 1900. He labored in the Stockholm and Sundsvall conferences, where a splendid work is being done by the missionaries from Zion. The last named is a new conference and the Elders are making good progress there.

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Elder Joseph Alfred White of Wilford, Salt Lake county, returned Jan. 6 from the British mission, to which he was assigned Aug. 17, 1900. His field of work was in the Newcastle conference, which he says is in a fairly good condition. A few of the good and true people of that district being converted to the Gospel. There are now some 12 Elders from Zion in that field and all are doing a good work.

All the Elders above reported return from their labors in excellent health and spirits, having had a very enjoyable and profitable experience in the work of the ministry. They made many friends for the good cause, allaying much prejudice and brought many honest souls into the fold of Christ. They report the number of missionaries now in the field as inadequate to fill all the calls made upon them.

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