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GENERAL CONFERENCE.

THIRD DAY.

MONDAY, April 8th, 2 p.m.

The choir sang:

"Mortals awake with angels join,
And chant the solemn lay."Prayer by Elder FRANKLIN D. RICH-
ARDS.

The choir sang:

"Sweet is the work, my God, my King."

President JOSEPH YOUNG addressed

the Conference. He had listened with

great pleasure to the testimonies and

preaching of the brethren who had pre-

ceded him in speaking. We lived in a

world whose history furnished many

problems, which could only be solved

by revelation from God. God himself

could see it, and we could not. We

would be more willing than we were

to extend charity toward our brethren

and sisters who had sprung from the

same parent source as ourselves. Man-

kind had become fallen, and conse-

quently generally unbelieving and

dark, but God had at

different periods of the history

of the world sent messengers to the

human race and proclamations of mercy

had been published, yet those procla-

mations had almost invariably been re-

jected by those unto whom they were

sent.

The speaker continued at some length

dwelling especially upon the different

gospel dispensations of God to man,

and the consequences which invariably

attended the rejection by man of heav-

enly messages.

We did not believe in coercion, and

it was the speaker's belief that we could

exist as a religious community, and

a republican form of government with-

out infringing upon anybody's privi-

leges. We were willing that other people

should enjoy their rights.

Brother Young concluded by exhort-

ing the Saints to be faithful to their re-

ligion.

Elder ALBERT CARRINGTON present-

ed the authorities of the Church in the

following order, the vote to sustain

them in their various positions being

unanimous:

Brigham Young, President of the

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day

Saints; George W. Cannon, First

Counselor; Daniel H. Wells, Second

Counselor; Orson Hyde, President of the

Quorum of the Twelve Apostles; and

Pratt, Geo. W. Cannon, and Orson

Pratt, Secs. John Taylor, John

Woodruff, Charles C. Rich, Lorenzo

Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D.

Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham

Young, Junr., Joseph F. Smith, and

Albert Carrington, members of said

Quorum.

John Smith, Patriarch of the Church,

John W. Taylor, President of the

State of Utah, and George B. Wallace,

Wm. H. Folson, Thomas E. Jeramy,

Joseph L. Barker, John H. Russell,

Miner G. Atwood, Wm. Thorne, Dick

B. Huntington, Theodore McKean, and

Hosah Stout, members of the High

Council.

Elias Smith, President of the High

Priests' Quorum, and Edward Rus-

grove and Elias Morris, his counselors.

Joseph Young, President of the first

seventeen Presidents of the Seventies,

and Levi W. Hancock, Harrison,

Albert P. Rockwood, Horace S. Ed-

dredge and John Van Dost, members

of the first seven Presidents of the Sev-

enties.

President GEORGE A. SMITH made

a motion that the presentation of the

name of Jacob Gates to the Conference,

as one of the first seven Presidents

of the Seventies, be deferred until con-

sideration of business was investigated

and an understanding arrived at, which

was carried on to the next day.

Benjamin L. Perry, President of the

Elders' Quorum; Edward Davis and

Abinadi Pratt, his counselors.

Edward H. Hunt, President Bishop;

Leonard W. Hardy and James O. Little,

his counselors.

Samuel G. Ladd, President of the

Priests' Quorum; John Aschman and

James Latham, his counselors.

Adam Spens, President of the Teach-

ers' Quorum; Martin Lenz and Henry

I. Doremus, his counselors.

James Leach, President of the Dea-

cons' Quorum; Peter Johnson and Chas.

S. Grant, his counselors.

Brigham Young, President-in-Trust for

the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day

Saints.

Truman O. Angell, Architect for the

Church.

Horace S. Eldredge, President of the

Perpetual Emigration Fund to Gather

the Poor.

Albert Carrington, Historian and

General Church Recorder, and Wilford

Woodruff, his assistant.

The names of the following brethren

were then presented, and unanimously

sustained, to go on missions:

TO EUROPE.

N. F. Lindell, Plain City.

John Mendenhall, Springfield.

Joseph Wadley, Pleasant Grove.

TO THE UNITED STATES.

James S. Brown, Salt Lake City.

Moroni Brown, same.

President GEORGE A. SMITH said he

hoped the brethren and sisters were

prepared to remain in Conference a few

more days.

The choir and congregation sang:

"Praise God, from whom all blessings

flow."

Adjourned till 10 a.m. to-morrow.

Prayer by President DANIEL H.

WELLS.

FOURTH DAY.

TUESDAY, April 9th, 10 a.m.

The choir sang:

"The morning breaks, the shadows flee."

The opening prayer was offered by

Elder LORENZO D. YORK.

"Once more, my soul, the rising day,
Salutes thy waking eyes,"

was sung by the choir.

Bishop E. F. SMITH said he had had

the privilege of meeting with the Saints

in every General Conference that had

been held in this city. Whenever God

had a people upon the earth he always

required them to do certain work, and

his revelations differed at various times

according to the nature of the work to

be accomplished. The work com-
mitted to us in that building up Zion,
to prepare for the second coming of Christ.
When we gathered together we had to
open up farms, make roads, build towns,
cities and temples, &c. We had accom-
plished considerable in this direction
and we had been directed in what we
had done by the servants of God. These
things constituted the foundation for
the building up of Zion in its glory and
beauty. We could do nothing without
the building Temple, for although
we could not all quarry rock or prepare
and lay it, yet we could pay our tithes
and our offerings to help on this good
work.The speaker commented at some
length on the inseparability of temporal
and spiritual things, and urged the
Saints to be faithful in the performance
of their duties. He bore testimony that
he knew the work he was engaged in
to be the work of God.Elder F. A. MYCKELL said that it
afforded him inexpressible satisfaction
to have a testimony to bear to the
truthfulness of the work of God with
which he was identified. It was by the
blessings and power of God that we had
been enabled to gather together andwork unitedly in his cause. We knew
that God would justify his cause and
that of his people. He had been called
on a mission to the Western Islands
and with the help of God he purposed
going forth to fulfill it. For he knew
that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the
living God, and that Brigham Young
was his legal successor. He desired
nothing more than to be able to do
whatever God through his servants
required of him.Elder Wm. C. STAINER addressed
the Conference. Twenty five years ago
the general Conference of the Saints
assembled on the warm side of a hay-
stack, which covered an area larger
than that of our large organ. What an
evidence was this that the progress of
this work was onward and upward.
The first time he heard the sound of
the organ he believed it to be. He was
informed by the person whom he first
heard preach, that if he obeyed the
first principles of that gospel he would
know the truth for himself. He re-
sponded to the invitation of the ser-
vant of God and he received the prom-
ised testimony and had retained it.
He regretted that President Young was
not permitted to be present with us. We
all knew the reason of his absence. He
knew, however, that God would
ultimately bestow his gifts upon us.
During the past ten years he had assist-
ed in gathering thousands of the poor,
and he always rejoiced in doing any
public service connected with the work
of God. He prayed that President
Young would be again among us before
long, that the Saints would not only
be the temple built in this city, but
temples would be reared in other places
and ultimately all over the land.Bishop SAMUEL A. WOOLLEY said
he had been a member of the church
of God for nearly thirty years, and two
days. He had in his time circumnavigated
the globe, preaching the gospel
in distant lands without purse or scrip,
and he had done so because he knew
that Joseph Smith was a prophet of
God, and that it was indeed the gospel
of Christ which he had to deliver to
mankind. He knew Brigham Young
was the legal successor of Joseph Smith.
He was in Nauvoo when President
Young returned from Boston, after
Joseph and Hyrum were murdered, and
attended a meeting in a grove. When
President Young walked upon the stand
and commenced to speak, his ap-
pearance and his voice were like a
thunder. He knew by these things
and by the power of God which then
rested upon President Young, that he
was the legal successor of Joseph
Smith.The speaker adverted to the work
which had been accomplished by the
Saints in the valleys, and thought we
should remain here, at least as long
as the Lord willed us to.Elder ROBERT L. CAMERON was the
next speaker. He testified that the
gospel introduced by Joseph Smith and
which was being taught by President
Brigham Young and the present ap-
pointed of the church was the true
power would ever succeed in destroying
this work, for it was of God. He ex-
horted the Saints to live for the salva-
tion of the living and the dead, and to
be charitable to the children of men.
To be charitable was Godlike. Many
would be brought under the auspices
of saving power and benign influences
of the gospel.Elder JESSE N. SMITH bore testimony
that he knew this to be the work of
God. There was no point in our earth-
ly existence, he said, unless we were
exercising faith in God. Faith in the
Almighty was something much lacking
in the people of the world, and was dif-
ficult for people to give up ideas in
which they had been traditioned from
their childhood. It required divi-
ne assistance to enable them to do so.
It was the duty of the people to give
power of God to enable him, the speak-
er, to do some things in which he had
engaged connected with the work of
God.Bishop W. W. CLIFF referred to the
inestimable blessings and privileges en-
joyed by the Latter-day Saints, and
especially to the improvement of the
land, and the success of the Latter-day
Saints in the various enterprises which
had come from the countries and gathered
here. He, the speaker, in fulfillment of
the mission to which he was called last
year, had been in the Territory, and had
visited many of those people in their new homes
and he knew their temporal condition was
greatly improved, and did not accom-
plish no more than this we should do
good work among the poor. Notwith-
standing the apparent cloud that had
been hanging over the Saints lately, he
had seen more unity among them
within the last few months.The speaker referred to the statement
of Bishop S. A. WOOLLEY that when
President Young was upon the stand at
Nauvoo after the death of Joseph, he
had been the first to rise and testify
that he too was the same way im-
pressed. He was a boy at the time
and he could well remember that it
seemed to him to be Joseph whom he
saw and heard speak.

The choir sang:

"Arise, shine, for thy light is come."

Adjourned till 2 p.m.

Prayer by President DANIEL H.

WELLS.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

According to previous announcement

a mass convention of citizens and others

favoring the Democratic party was held

at the City Hall last evening, commencing

at 7 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by

Mr. H. J. Faust, who also motioned

that H. J. Faust, Esq., take the chair.

The meeting was unanimously carried

on to the election of a committee to

organize the party, and the committee

elected, and the meeting adjourned.

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