

are numerous trifling matters that excite animosities and ill feelings, and grieve the Spirit of God, and prevent many blessings being enjoyed by the Saints which they would otherwise possess. He urged upon all the importance and necessity of prayer, that the power and Spirit of God may be increased upon them, pointing out the peace, happiness, joy and exaltation which flow from obedience to the everlasting gospel.

President B. Young followed in a most interesting and instructive discourse, in which he taught the Saints on several principles and points of doctrine. His remarks were reported, and a brief synopsis would but do them injustice.

**TRIP TO UTAH Co.**—Elder George A. Smith, President Joseph Young, senr., with Elders Horace S. Eldredge and H. J. Faust, returned to the City on Wednesday evening, 6th inst., from a trip through Utah county, during which they held meetings in most of the settlements. On the outward part of the trip, meetings were held at Lehi, American Fork, Pleasant Grove, Provo, Springville, Spanish Fork and Payson. On Thursday, 31st ult., Elder Amasa M. Lyman, who had been detained at Provo by sickness on his journey south, delivered an address at the meeting there, he having recovered sufficiently to do so. The following afternoon another meeting was held in Provo, and on the same evening at Springville. At Payson three meetings were held on Sunday, the 3d; and on the same evening Elders H. J. Faust and Warren Dewsenbury went to Santaquin, where President Orson Hyde preached, and they bore testimony. Meetings were held on the return journey at Spanish Fork and Pleasant Grove. In every place there were crowded audiences, and a great measure of the Holy Spirit was enjoyed. The teachings embraced much valuable instruction on practical religion, the true principles of trade, with political and domestic economy. Speakers and people were mutually blessed.

**NEW PUBLICATIONS.**—We acknowledge the receipt from H. H. Bancroft & Co., San Francisco, of "California Silk Grower's Manual, by Louis Prevost," and "A Review of the Mining, Agricultural and Commercial Interests of the Pacific States, for the year 1886," each publication containing much interesting and practical information in its special department.

**INFORMATION WANTED.**—AGNES INGRAM, desires information of her brother-in-law and her sister, Mr. and Mrs. JAMES HOLLY, formerly of England, and who emigrated from that country eleven years ago. They lived at Springville, in this Territory, when last she heard from them. Her address is, Agnes Ingram, at Mr. Beresford's Grammar School, Chaddesley, Corbitt, Worcestershire, England.

**BAD ROADS.**—During the late visit of Elder George A. Smith and party to Utah County, the roads were almost impassable in places. There was no lack of mud, and bottom somewhere, when it was reached. It is presumed that the heavy storm of last Wednesday night would not materially improve them, with the snow drifts melting before the rays of the sun. Well, well, there is nice driving around Utah lake in June; so we will keep "heart of grace" until then.

**ELECTION FOR DELEGATE.**—Returns have not yet been received of the recent Election from several counties, but through the courtesy of the Hon. Amos Reed, we have obtained a copy of the returns from Cache, Box Elder, Weber, Morgan, Davis, Tooele, Great Salt Lake, Utah, Juab, Millard and Beaver Counties, in which the total votes polled were 12,683, distributed as follows:—

W. H. Hooper	12,572
W. McGrorty	105
Negro Cy.	6
	12,683

**WHICH?**—Mr. William Clowthes writes inquiring, inasmuch as dealing with bitter and persistent enemies is very properly deemed unwise everywhere, if it would not be a good plan, for those who profess to be friendly, to now and then manifest a little of their friendship by contradicting to the world some of the gross lies circulated against the "Mormons," and doing other similar acts ever consequent on real friendliness, that purchasers may be able to more readily distinguish between friends and enemies.

**ACQUITTED.**—Charles Crow was indicted before the Probate Court, on Saturday, for the killing of "Dutch Charley," whom he shot some time since while leaving his premises, which had been burglariously entered, stolen property being in Charley's possession at the time. After hearing the evidence, the jury acquitted Mr. Crow. It will be remembered that he was acquitted at the Coroner's inquest, where he admitted shooting the man, but pleaded justification, which was received.

**POLICE REPORT.**—Henry Walsh, a colored individual, was brought before Justice Clinton on Saturday, for having "appropriated," without permission, certain articles of silver, the property of Mr. Wilkinson. The theft being proved, he was fined \$50, failing to pay which, he was locked up.

**THE WEATHER.**—On Friday morning the state of the weather at the points named, was as follows:—

Great Salt Lake City, cloudy and cold; severe snow storm on Wednesday evening; sunshine towards noon.

By Deseret State Telegraph Line:—

Logan, cold and cloudy; about five inches of snow on the ground.

Provo, very cold and cloudy; a slight breeze from the north.

Payson, cloudy and cold.

Salt Creek, cloudy and cold; froze very hard last night.

On Monday morning:—

Great Salt Lake City, mild but cloudy.

By Deseret State Telegraph Line:—

Brigham City, mild, a little cloudy; no snow.

Ogden, pleasant and mild as a spring day.

Nephi, very pleasant; not a cloud to be seen.

Manti, fine and clear.

Fillmore, a little cloudy, but very pleasant.

Parkman, clear and warm.

Tokerville, clear and warm as summer weather.

**MRS. COOKE'S CONCERT.**—Notwithstanding the violent storm which raged on Wednesday evening, we were pleased to see a crowded audience at Mrs. Cooke's Concert, in the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms. The pieces announced for execution in the programme were performed in very excellent style. Mrs. A. Lynch was encored in the "Faded Flowers"—and responded with "I cannot sing the old songs." Miss E. Robbins and Mr. Cooke were encored in "A B C" and gave a lively little duet. In the second part of the entertainment, Miss E. Robbins and chorus drew an encore in "Come in and shut the door." Mrs. Cobb sang several pieces in good style; in fact, the various songs and instrumental selections were received with much applause. We have heard that there is a probability of the concert being repeated. Undoubtedly, if the evening were pleasant there would be another crowded house, as a great number would have had to be turned away on Wednesday evening had the weather been at all favorable. As a teacher of music Mrs. Cook enjoys a high and well deserved reputation; and her concerts increase the number of her pupils, which is an evidence that her abilities are the more appreciated the better they become known.

Mr. J. Kelly, the natural musician, courteously gave his aid on the occasion, performed a couple of violin solos, and sang a couple of songs accompanying himself on the violin. He is so well known as a performer that comment on their execution would be needless.

**POLICE REPORT.**—Elmer Huskinson was arrested on Monday, the 4th, while coolly offering cattle for sale which he had "appropriated" over Jordan. He was brought before his Honor, Justice Clinton, on the 5th, charged with cattle stealing, and bound over in \$500 bonds to appear before the Probate Court. Security not being forthcoming, he was sent to jail.

George L. Spurr was arrested on Thursday evening by officers Hyde and Livingston, he having insulted some of the lady inmates of the Mansion House, drawn a pistol and threatened to do violence therewith, and otherwise disturbed the peace of the People. Justice Clinton demanded \$800, on Friday morning, for his belligerent and other manifestations of the previous evening.

**BUSINESS** is exceedingly dull. So everybody says, and, of course, it must be true. One of the prominent signers of that "Card" is, we understand, quietly consigning goods to the tender mercies of an auctioneer down "street," that they may go for what they will bring. Looks as if the owner intended to move to the tune of "going, going, gone!"

**WOOD-WORK MACHINERY.**—We paid a visit, a few days ago, to Latimer, Taylor & Co's steam wood-working factory, south-east corner of Emigration Square, and found there quite an addition of excellent machinery working, driven by one of Blandy's steam engines, brought on last season by Mr. F. Ferris, of Cronyn & Co. The planing, grooving and tonguing machine particularly attracted attention, as it must reduce the price of flooring considerably, which is an item of importance to parties building. Thorough boards of the proper width are run in, and slide out planed, tongued and grooved, ready for laying. Head carpenters, builders and architects should patronize the firm, for their own benefit and that of the public; for in proportion as building materials can be furnished and put together cheaply, so will buildings increase in number and more employment be afforded for the mechanics whose labor is thus directed. The rest of the machinery in the factory is eminently labor-saving. We wish there was plenty more of the kind in the Territory; and believe that the best inducement for having it brought on is to patronize liberally that which is now here; which we have no doubt will be done as prices are sufficiently reduced by it to claim that patronage.

We are not aware of any other planing machines in the Territory besides President Young's, running up at the Saw Mill, mouth of City Creek Canyon, and this of Latimer & Taylor's. Their value to the community has been already amply demonstrated.

**DEDICATION.**—The new School House of the 13th ward, attached to the east side of the Assembly Rooms, was dedicated on Thursday last. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Elder George Q. Cannon. President Brigham Young and Elder Cannon delivered appropriate and instructive discourses. The building is a substantial one, with accommodation for a large number of pupils, and is a credit to the ward.

**FROZEN.**—A party of soldiers were returning to Camp Douglas from this city on Wednesday evening, during the storm, when they got separated, and one of them named Frederick Earhardt, failed to reach Camp. He was found on Thursday morning about half a mile from his intended destination, frozen to death.

## Correspondence.

### REPORT OF ELDERS LORENZO D. RUDD AND E. W. TULLIDGE.

To Pres. BRIGHAM YOUNG:

Dear Sir, having since the 6th of October been traveling through much of the United States, east and west, gathering a knowledge of the condition of the country, relative to the work of God, and general views of the history of this mission, for the last few years, Lorenzo and myself have been moved to make a general report to you.

Brother Lorenzo arrived in New York the day before Conference (October 6th), he having been appointed by President Brigham Young, Junr., to labor among his friends in the United States. The next day, at Conference, he was assigned his mission, and Elder E. W. Tullidge, who had volunteered to be his companion, was also appointed to travel through these States to preach the Gospel, look up the condition of the Churches, make new and vigorous arrangements, and, if possible, revive the work everywhere.

Since the time of the Utah Expedition, as you are fully aware, this mission has been suspended at least from active operations, and there have been no administrative agencies and machinery making the members scattered through these United States one body, with the currents of life pulsating from its great heart, and all under the constant direction of the presiding head. This we say touching the unhappy circumstances of the times, and not as reflection upon the Presidency at New York. Gradually life expired from the few branches that remained, families near central places became almost disconnected from the Church, through the decline of once powerful branches, till even a St. Louis, once a stake of Zion, became as a small link of a broken chain, with scarcely an instance of communication for years with the Presidency. This, with the great civil war, have brought about all that you can comprehend better than we can describe.

Notwithstanding, there were thousands with the love of "Mormonism" in their hearts scattered throughout these States. But many of them have been given over to the buffetings of Satan, and to their easy besetting sins, and all have had to pass through the wintry circumstances of the times, and to remain strictly as sheep without shepherds. Nevertheless a remnant remains, in whose hearts the work of God has not expired—a remnant which would form no insignificant mission; but which has been as chaos before the world was, or darkness driven from its face by the light of Almighty God.

But it has appeared that in the wise dispensations of Providence, God was once more moving to gather up the remnants in the United States, before the day of His wrath, and to give the honest another opportunity to come to the Lord's side, and not fight against his work.

In spite of all the efforts of our enemies to stir up the wrath of the wicked against us, the world seems prepared to hear from the "Mormons" and to have their religion and affairs brought before the country. We found East a certain freshness in the subject in the public mind, and it is relished with a zest. There is no doubt that men have made capital out of their connection with Utah; and "Mormon" preachers or writers last year would have found their opportunity.

Frank Leslie led off with the publication of the portrait of President Young in his *Illustrated Weekly*, giving also a view of Great Salt Lake City, Temple, Theatre, &c.; and in the placards of that week, at all the newsstands, the blazing announcement covering every other, was "A Splendid Portrait of Brigham Young," &c. Harper followed with portraits of Brigham, the Twelve and others, with views of the City, &c. These presentations of the "Mormon" leaders and "Mormon" subjects were evidently "taking;" you saw in the streets many reading the placards, and looking at the portraits; and editors began to send their reporters to hunt up matter for articles on the "Mormons," and some found out our meeting place and reported our sermons. Since then there has been considerable drawing out upon the other side upon the "Mormons" and their institutions, but we believe that all has tended to prepare the country for missionary labors of our preachers and writers. It was the opinion of Brigham Young, Junr., that missionaries would soon be sent to the States. Directly upon this Elder Lorenzo D. Rudd came and received his appointment, and Elder E. W. Tullidge discontinued writing, which he had been engaged in for several periodicals, and volunteered to travel with him through the States. It was the judgment of both of us, that for the revival of the work of God, it was necessary that there should be travelling Elders in the field, devoted entirely to the ministry, to go through the land, hunt up the members of the Church, find out in what parts good could be done, and bring the few remaining links of branches into communion with the head quarters of the mission; and President Miles thus also considered the matter, and deemed it expedient to send us; and so Lorenzo and myself willingly accepted the appointment given us at Conference to do the work of pioneers during the winter and spring.

Immediately at the close of the Conference we started on our mission, first visiting Philadelphia, where we gave a course of lectures, some of which were reported in the papers. We also reorganized that branch, appointed a new President and baptized some members. Of the work East since we left for the West, President Miles in a letter to us, bearing date Dec. 25th says:—

"I have been in Philadelphia and found things moving on all right; a good spirit prevails; more life in the branch than formerly. In Newark we have got organized again after re-baptizing

all the members; appointed another president; and all is peace among them; Williamsburg Saints feel well. The gifts and blessings are manifested nearly every Sunday, and at the prayer meetings; and strangers come to our meetings."

Lorenzo started first from Philadelphia westward, leaving me to deliver the last lecture in that city, designing in our arrangements that he should go into Michigan to visit his relations and I to follow in a week or so, and make a junction with him at St. Louis. After fulfilling our appointments at Philadelphia, I hastened westward, leaving New York, November 5th, and visited Nauvoo where I stayed a day; found those there feeling like the very embodiment of Satan against Brigham Young and the Church, and Nauvoo a sepulchre. I fled as from the abode of the damned, and reached St. Louis on the Saturday of the same week, so that I was in time to find out Elder Dunford and the President of the Branch, and to meet with the small church in this place on the Sunday.

Through the prompting of Elder Dunford, who had advanced means to take a new room and fit it up for public meetings, the brethren there were moving towards a revival of the work in St. Louis, and thus affairs were providentially shaping at least for efforts to be made by Travelling Elders in this district. I took charge of the church at St. Louis until Lorenzo should arrive, and called Elder Dunford and Elder William Wright, formerly President, to be my Counselors, designing these temporary arrangements until Lorenzo succeeded in getting around to St. Louis, when we should organize the District, give a course of lectures and travel according to our programme laid down when we were in the East. Elder Dunford was liberal with his means and offered to take a boarding place for myself and companion in the ministry, but I wished not to make permanent arrangements until the President arrived, and hence I did not advertise lectures nor seek to write for the papers in St. Louis upon Utah and the "Mormons." But we were not able to make a junction at St. Louis as soon as expected and I was here some two months before my companion could get to me.

When we started on our mission in October we had no prospect for means excepting a hundred dollars which I had just taken for writing articles, in the *Galaxy* and *Phrenological Journal*, and a remnant of a few dollars in Lorenzo's pocket. There were not churches everywhere to assist us as of old, and we had a large undertaking and thousands of miles before us in fulfilling our appointments as pioneers this winter and spring.

Lorenzo visited his relations in Michigan, found much difficulty in getting up the lakes, and nearly got lost in a small boat. Thence he went to Iowa to visit others of his kindred and his experience in that country was about the experience of a servant of God sent to hell to preach and labor among lost souls. They were "young Josephites" and Latter-day Saints of other times turned devils, people actually possessed of evil spirits which manifested themselves in the forms of spiritualism. Some believed neither in God nor the devil, neither fearing God nor man. Yet there was one howl of blasphemy against the Lord's anointed and the Church in the mountains. Whether the Government take up the matter or not to wipe out the Church in Utah, let but the railroad be completed and they swear they will come up en masse and destroy us themselves! To escape the hell into which he had got Lorenzo fled into the woods to raise means to reach St. Louis, supporting himself also during the time he was in that part, for he found those of his own flesh worse than strangers to him and his God. Never did he feel how dear home and the Saints were to him as when amongst his own kindred, nor so venerated brother Brigham as when incarnate fiends were howling in his ears their wrath against him. This is true of us both; and though we never till now felt the force nor acknowledged the distinction of "Brighamite," yet since we have been in this western district, where "Brighamite" is the title by which we are dubbed, we are growing to be proud of the distinction, for we are finding it to be a test by which we can try the spirits; for as of old that spirit which would not confess to Christ and in our day to Joseph and now to Brigham as the Lord's anointed, and to polygamy and to the gathering, is not of God, but either of themselves or the devil.

About ten days ago Elder Lorenzo D. Rudd arrived and we were both truly glad to meet each other again, and more than ever felt how strong are the links that bind the Elders together when they are in the world laboring in the cause of God.

We met in council with the church at St. Louis on Sunday morning, and organized this western country into a district or Conference. Lorenzo was received as its President according to his appointment, and then he called Elder E. W. Tullidge to be his first Counselor and a Travelling Elder in this district, and Elder George Dunford to be his second Counselor. We then sounded the feelings of the local priesthood, and found them united in receiving Elder William Knight as President of the Branch of St. Louis, and so we carried out the purpose already resolved in our own minds and appointed him to the local Presidency, and thus we effected the organization of a St. Louis Conference once more.

We shall make every effort that we can in this district, and shall especially urge all to gather home to Utah. Brother George Dunford is full of faith and the Spirit of the Lord, and he is on hand with all his heart and liberally with his means to help us advance the work in St. Louis, and to assist us in travelling through this district to build up churches, and gather the scattered sheep again into the fold of Christ. He is yearning for our home in the mountains, and is shaping his affairs to take himself and family there next year. He feels that he has been too long away from the body of the Church and has the spirit of repentance and humility in this matter. He expresses himself that, to have the blessing and fellowship of brother Brigham extended to him, when he reaches the mountains, would be to him more precious than all the world besides. May the Lord strengthen him and fulfill the desire of his heart.

We expect next season that there may be others who will gather home; at least there are those who are desiring to go if possible, and the majority are again awakened to the importance of gathering, and everywhere in our travels we shall urge this subject.

Praying for your blessings and approbation we remain, dear sir, yours obediently.

LORENZO W. RUDD.

EDWARD W. TULLIDGE.

P. S. Elder J. L. Grundand, a son of Judah, who married the daughter of brother James Albon, the first elder ordained in London, expects to gather with his family in the spring. Brother Cannon knows him and we shall urge others to follow these examples.