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CONTINUATION OF PRESIDENT YOUNG'S TRIP TO SANPETE.

[REPORTED BY G. D. WATT.]

Tuesday, 11th.

We rolled out of Nephi about 8 a.m., and arrived at Moroni city about noon, where we were joined by Elder O. Hyde. Geo. A. Smith addressed, for a few minutes, the people and schools of Fountain Green, who were arranged along the road side when the company came on. As soon as we had, in a degree, washed the dust from off our faces and shaken it, in a measure, from our clothes, we met with the people of Moroni under a bowery situated on the south side of their log meeting-house.

MEETING AT MORONI.

Elder Geo. Q. Cannon said it was the first time he had visited Sanpete valley. The people of God are comparatively great; they have been marvelously prospered since they came to these valleys. This is the best country for Latter-day Saints to dwell in under their present circumstances. We are increasing in the knowledge of the facilities of life—in the knowledge of how to secure them and apply them to our wants. He encouraged home manufacture, and suggested the introduction of the Mulberry tree for the raising of silk. We live in a healthy country. The people in Missouri thought if they could live in a healthy country where peace prevailed, they would be willing to live on a crust and water. The Lord has given us a healthy land to live in, and we are crowned with peace. We thought when we came to this country that we should become a great people before the wicked could reach our borders. We have led the vanguard of empire to the West, and we have become a great people. We are like a beacon-light seen of all men. Israel is the head, and we are Israel. God will test our faith and prove us whether we will follow Him or follow the enemies of the truth. We are the sons of God, and should act in a way to throw dignity on our characters as such.

Elder Samuel W. Richards made some remarks upon the same subject advanced by the former speaker.

Elder Van Cott spoke a short time in the Danish language.

Elder Lorenzo Snow.—"This gospel we have received has been revealed from heaven, and the priesthood we hold has been revealed for the salvation of the human family. We must be lively in our minds in reference to it. We were in chains of darkness and sectarian religion, but the Lord broke asunder those chains, and He has made us a nucleus around which to gather our children from generation to generation; and we are being educated so that in the future we may be as He is. We are engaged in this work where we now are. Unless we are lively in our duties and stirred up to perform them, the Lord will stir us up, for He loves us as the apple of His eye. While we are engaged in cultivating the ground, and seeking with all our might to surround ourselves with the facilities of education, we are engaged in the work of God. The prospects before us are glorious, but let us be impressed, in every work of our hands, that we are the servants of God and doing His will. Let not our integrity be impaired, but our faith be continually increased as we proceed through life. I would be satisfied to act where Providence has placed me, and ask the Lord what I can do to aid in building up the kingdom of God in that place, and to assist me to obtain a subsistence for my

family. We are as free as the Gods of eternity to do right; and God and angels and all good men will give us their influence in doing right. We are called to teach the world, not to be taught by them, and to preserve a dignity and character that Gods and angels will honor; this will place a gulf between us and the wicked that they cannot pass."

A boisterous wind, which scattered large quantities of dust promiscuously throughout the forenoon and during the meeting, was the only thing that detracted from the enjoyment of all present.

After dinner, drove over to Mount Pleasant, where we arrived about 6 p.m. On nearing the city, for a considerable distance the road on each side was lined with militia, fathers and mothers of families, young men and maidens, and schools of children bearing miniature banners. The ladies of Mount Pleasant were chiefly dressed in home-made stuffs. They looked exceedingly comfortable in their simple sun-bonnets. The eye was not under the necessity of wandering over masses of artificials and ribbons before it rested upon the human face divine; but we were at once attracted with a row of smiling and blooming countenances, bidding us welcome to their city and to their homes.

In the evening the dancing hall was set in order for a party. Your correspondent was not present, but from all accounts those who were, enjoyed themselves very much.

MEETINGS AT MOUNT PLEASANT.

Wednesday, May 12th, 10 a.m., met the Mount Pleasant Saints, and many from neighboring settlements, under a spacious and substantial bowery, for a two days meeting.

Elder Lorenzo D. Young, gave the opening address.

Elder Stenhouse, congratulated the Saints on the marvelous deliverance which they have enjoyed from war and its dreadful consequences—on the enjoyment of the spirit of the Almighty, and on the peace, union, prosperity and general advancement which has characterized their progress in Utah.

Elder Joseph W. Young, spoke of the healthiness and good appearance of the daughters of Zion—the mothers in Israel—and of the vast multitudes of children in these mountains. Through the faithfulness of this people, he could foresee the triumph of the Saints and the overthrow of wickedness.

Elder Geo. Q. Cannon.—"This people are greatly blessed of God, and His arms are still extended with hands full of blessings, to administer unto us when we can receive and enjoy them. You cannot find a people anywhere with fewer destitute poor among them than is to be found among us. We cannot be called a rich people; we have not many capitalists among us; yet we are all well off and greatly blessed. Brethren have referred to the children of the Saints; I have traveled far and wide, but in all my travels I have never seen children that were finer formed, possessing brighter and more intelligent countenances. There is in them an exuberance of life, not to be seen in other countries. They are supposed to be wild and ungovernable. I care not how they act, to give vent to the exuberance of spirits which they possess, if they do not sin against God and against one another. It is joyful to see the little children ranged along the wayside, holding their tiny flags, bowing and giving welcome to the Prophet and Apostles of the Lord. This is good; our children ought to be raised to reverence and respect the priesthood of God, for this will make them mighty, and give them power to bear off His kingdom in a coming time. If men are anxious to preach the gospel, they have a field in their own households in which they may find labor, and where they can labor to great profit and advantage. The greatest blessing and promise that was given to Abraham was a multitude of children. We have received promises of like blessings; indeed we have been blessed with the blessings of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It has long since been discovered by sectarians, that there exists in the Sunday School system a great and mighty power to

strengthen and build up their respective sects. We should not neglect this means of educating our children and teaching them the principles of the gospel, making them acquainted with the holy books in which we believe. Then will our sons and daughters grow up having faith in God and in His organized authority on the earth."

Afternoon.

Elder Joseph Bull spoke of the blessings which we enjoy, blessings that have been reserved for ages, to come forth in our day.

Elder John Taylor.—"The Lord wishes to make us happy here and hereafter, and for this purpose he has gathered us to these distant valleys. When we meet as we meet to-day, and the spirit of God rests on the speakers and upon the hearers, then we feel comforted and blessed and rejoice in the name of the God of Israel.

There has always existed a strong antagonism against us, as the recipients of truth, on the part of the wicked. We need to be careful what course we take. We should all be sure that we are the servants of God, and do everything we can to fulfil our destiny on the earth. Another thing, we should be careful to listen to the counsel we receive from the servants of God; we believe that this church will triumph over all the earth, and that God will dictate it and defend it.

We should prepare for every emergency. Some want to kill the Indians promiscuously, because some of them have killed some of our people. This is not right. Let the guilty be punished and the innocent go free. If we do right and pursue a proper course with all men, of whatever color, then we can have the confidence of all high-minded and honorable men."

He encouraged the people of Mount Pleasant to be diligent in extending their improvements, and in planting shade and fruit trees more extensively.

Elder Lorenzo Snow.—"The object of Pres. Young's visit through these settlements is to promote the happiness of the people, and to enhance their spiritual and temporal welfare. His object is purely philanthropic; but much depends in its accomplishment on how the Saints deport themselves, and give heed to the teachings they may hear. The people anticipate a visit from the President, and they make their roads better, whitewash their houses and fences, put up new fences, and straighten things generally; they plant shade trees, and orchards, and build meeting-houses, school-houses and better dwelling-houses. Thus the President's visits do an incalculable amount of good to the people generally.

If the people will be ambitious, they can accomplish much more good than they otherwise would. The President has never asked any such demonstrations as greet him in every settlement, but we are glad to see them."

Elder Geo. A. Smith treated on the antagonistic feeling to the truth and the people of God that has been continually manifested by the wicked. He alluded to our efforts to obtain the rights of a State Government, and encouraged those who had not done so to take the preparatory steps towards securing the rights of citizenship.

NEWS FROM SCANDINAVIA.—Through the courtesy of Br. Wm. Clayton we are enabled to lay the following gratifying extract from a letter to him, written by Elder C. Widerborg, and bearing date, Copenhagen, May 23, 1865.

**** * "Our mission is in a prosperous condition. I have the hands full of business. Our emigration from Scandinavia, 558 souls, started from here, May 14th, via Kiel, for Hamburg, where they embarked on the fine packet (ship) B. S. Kimball, Capt. Dearborn, who sailed on the 7th. A third of the number will go through to Utah, and the rest will have to remain in the States to wait for another opportunity. Elders Sprague, Gee, John Sharp, jun., Joseph Felt and Geo. M. Brown, laboring in this mission, are all well and doing well. The Lord is blessing our efforts to spread the gospel in these countries, and His name shall have the honor and glory."

LATEST FROM EXCHANGES.

A FEARFUL riot occurred at Flushing, Long Island, June 20, over a bet about fire engines; it was estimated that from 50 to 60 persons were injured, some of them severely.

COLORADO OIL.—The Denver Gazette states that petroleum has been discovered fifteen miles from that city. It says: "An extensive area of land, covering an extent of over thirteen acres, as we are informed, is literally saturated with the crude petroleum. One gentleman assures us that the clay can be taken in the hand and the oil wrung from it like a sponge.

ORDERS have been received to dismantle all the forts and fortifications around Washington, except 22 forts and three or four batteries. These are to be improved and strengthened, and constructed in a permanent form to stand the test of time. They will be so selected as to form a circle of Washington.

THE family of President Johnson now at the White House consists of Mrs. Johnson, who is in ill-health, Andrew Johnson jr., the President's youngest son, a lad of 14, Mrs. Judge Patterson, the President's daughter and wife of Senator Patterson, of Tenn., and Mrs. P.'s two children. Mrs. P. will be presiding lady at the White House, owing to the ill-health of Mrs. Johnson.

THE Petersburg, Va., papers complain of the white and negro boys, who endanger their lives and other people's property, by engaging in regular stone battles about the city. Sunday is the day particularly devoted to this purpose by the young rebels and irrepressibles.

ALL vagrant negroes have been driven from Macon, Ga. "It was," the telegraph of that city says, "a sad sight, but the proceeding was necessary, and all who attempt to follow a similar line of conduct, that is, to vagabondize throughout the land, may expect to have the same course pursued towards themselves."

THE Patent Office June 20, issued 160 patents, the largest number ever known in one day prior to this year. The largest number in any one week, was 98, in 1860, and up to this time during this year, the average has been 117 per week.

GENS. BUTLER, Banks and Heintzelman, neglecting to send in their resignations on or before June 15, were mustered out of service on the 16th.

FLOWING OIL WELLS IN CALIFORNIA.—A flowing oil well is again reported in California. The Mattole Union well in Humboldt, has commenced pouring oil over the top in great abundance. The question of petroleum production on the Pacific coast is no longer a subject of doubt, notwithstanding the State Geologist couldn't see it.—[Reese River Reveille.]

THE City of Erie, Pa., seems to be located directly over an oil cistern. Wells have been sunk in some of the streets and on vacant lots, from which oil is pumped out in large quantities.

HEART DISEASE.—This complaint is very prevalent in England. At the hospital where this disease is specially treated, there were one hundred and sixty-five cases in one week.

AT CEDAR CITY drouth and insects have injured their crops, and the spring flood materially lessened their hay-cutting. They have found in the mountains excellent summer range for their stock. For these items we are indebted to Br. M. Slack.

SKILLED LABOR FROM ENGLAND.—The English papers are noting the heavy emigration from the mining districts of that country to this, and recognize it as of the nature of a public calamity. The skilled and comparatively independent miners of South Wales, where there are famous treasures of iron, copper and coal, are coming here in greater strength than ever before. "It is beginning," says the London Times, "to be a frequent occurrence for forty or fifty hands to leave at every pay-day, from the principal iron and coal works of the district." This is the most valuable class of emigrants that reach our shores, and we may well be glad to welcome them to a free country.