

the dead past bury its dead." Such experiences fill the soul of the Latter-day Saint with thankfulness as he rejoices in the revealed truths of heaven, which declare that "He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to their fathers." The glorious work in Zion's Temples is a testimony of the living faith of Latter-day Saints, and shines forth with celestial splendor when compared with the spirit of Cain, now almost universally in the hearts of the people, for throughout all Christendom, among all classes, a proud, selfish, and defiant spirit cries—"Am I my brother's keeper?"

God grant that the true spirit of Christian brotherhood may ever characterize His people now gathered in the valleys of Israel. PHOENIX.

UTAH FLOUR IS GOOD.

In answer to J. J. Giles in the SEMI-WEEKLY of March 5th, in regard to the Utah wheat being so much sought after by the French and English bakers for pastry making, I beg to remind Mr. Giles that as good pastry was made in France and England from their own native wheat as ever was made in America or anywhere else, many years before the first kernel of the grain was raised in Utah, judging by the display of that class of work in the window of Mr. S. F. Ball, late of the "Globe," now of the "Temple" bakery, Salt Lake City. He learned the business in England as pastry cook, cake baker and ornament; specimens of his handiwork can be seen in different parts of the city. So far as I am personally concerned, I take little interest in the pastry business. Bread as the staff of life is universal. Pastry is made to tickle the palate of the epicure, the gourmand and that class of people who pay no respect to the laws of hygiene; and like the Utah-raised barley of world-wide fame, so much in demand by brewers for its beer-brewing properties, it is diverted from its legitimate use as food for man and beast into beer and whisky. This reminds me of the story of the tobacco-smoker and the beer drinker. Said the latter to the former, if the Lord intended you to be a smoker He would have put a chimney on the crown of your head; Yes, retorted the smoker, and if the Lord intended to make you a beer drinker He would have made you a beer barrel and put a tap in your stomach.

That Utah flour is good enough for Utah bakers at the present day is due to the fact that a vast improvement has been made, first by the farmer in the manner of wheat cultivation, and the skill of the miller in grinding it, especially during the last ten years, leaving no excuse for the baker making poor work in the handling of it. The most important part of the wheat grain is the gluten; the starch is the flesh forming principle, the gluten the bone and muscle, hair of the head, finger and toe nails. Flour that is deficient in either cannot be called a perfect food. This is the reason why an interchange of flour between different localities is desirable for blending the soft wheat containing the most starch with the hard wheat holding the most gluten. I have no doubt that in the course of a few years, as farmers become better acquainted with the nature of the soil, the right kind of seed, and the manner of its

cultivation in Utah, they will be independent of any outside help of the imported article.

The first of my experience with eastern flour was in 1870, while employed as baker for the late Hon. John Sharp's graders at the Promontory, where the two railroads met. Most of the flour we used was from Benson, Farr & West, of Weber County. One day we got short of Utah flour and they sent me down half a ton of eastern flour from one of the camps. It made a dough so strong and stubborn, it was with some difficulty that I could mould it into proper shape. If Mr. Giles wants to know what kind of bread I made for the graders at the Promontory, I can refer him to Bishop J. C. Watson, of the Sixth ward, Salt Lake City.

Respectfully yours,
ALEX CROLL.

AID FOR THE AFFLICTED.

Utah has been called upon at times to assist the unfortunate who have sustained serious losses by fire, floods, drought, etc., and they have always responded liberally. Now a deplorable calamity has happened to citizens in our own neighborhood, including many of our brethren and sisters. Over fifty widows and hundreds of fatherless children are left destitute and entirely dependent upon the charity of their fellow-citizens. This distressing situation certainly calls for an organized effort on the part of us all. I mean by this that some person or committee should be designated and authorized to receive donations and distribute them impartially according to the necessities of the afflicted. Indiscriminate contributions to individuals sometimes leaves the most worthy without assistance. Hon. W. W. Cluff and his assistants are certainly well acquainted with the condition of the Unfortunate and all who are disposed to contribute would have entire confidence in him. I have placed a check for \$100 with the president of the Deseret National bank, to be drawn and distributed by any person properly authorized to perform this duty.

JOHN R. WINDER.

THE ALMY VICTIMS.

ALMY, Uinta, Wyoming,
March 25th, 1895.

Funeral services were held in the Latter-day Saints meeting house today over the remaining dead for whom no coffins were provided yesterday, viz: Clark, Phebe and Holston. The house was well filled with Saints and strangers. Impressive discourses were delivered by Elders John Crawford, Andrew Walwark, David Johnson and James Bowns, after which the corpses were conveyed to the Church grounds by a large and respectable company of friends and sympathizers.

Full particulars of the families left destitute if their bread winners by the explosion are as follows:

John I. Clark, aged 36, left wife and four children.

James P. Clark, 33, wife and four children.

George Hardy, 36, wife and four children.

Samuel Hutchinson, 40, wife and seven children.

James Hutchinson, wife and four children.

Walter Miller, 45, wife and five children.

James Bruce, 45, wife and three children.

Samuel Bater, 22, wife and one child.

William Mason, 11, single, four dependents.

Andrew Mason, 38, wife and eight children.

William Graham, 17, single.

William Wagstaff, 27, wife and three children.

Albert Clark, 18, single, four dependents.

Willard Brown, 30, wife and seven children.

Ben Cole, 33, wife and five children.

Batia Julia, 44, wife and six children.

Angel Deromed, 28, wife and four children.

John Thebey, 35, wife and five children.

William Greives, 20, single.

William Morris, 50, wife and eight children.

John Morris, 19, single.

David Lawery, 24, wife and mother dependent.

Samuel Holston, 34, wife and one child.

George Clark, 35, wife and one child.

Joseph Hyden, 62, wife and four children.

G. F. Hyde, 18, single.

John Lester, 35, wife and six children.

William Sellers Sen., 46, wife and seven children.

W. Sellers Jr., 22, wife and one child.

H. Sloan, 35, wife and six children.

James Limb, 24, wife and one child.

Orion Maltby, 52, wife and ten children.

Edward Cox, 57, wife and five children.

Aaron Butte, 33, wife and three children.

George Critchley, 58, wife and two children.

Thomas Hutchinson, 42, wife and nine children.

Isaac Jonsson, 30, wife and two children.

John E. Lack, 17, single.

Samuel Clay, 14, single.

Henry Southern, 22, wife.

John Dexter, 30, wife and one child.

John Farn, 38, wife and two children.

Charles Clark, 43, wife and six children.

William Weedup, 36, wife and three children.

William Pape, 35, wife and four children.

John Wilkes, 34, wife and five children.

Henry Burton, 66, wife and one child.

Jerry Crawford, 16, single.

Fred Morgan, 40, wife and two children.

David Lloyd, 37, wife and five children.

John Martin, 40, wife and five children.

M. Langdon, 21, single.

W. Langdon, 52, wife and three children.

Thomas Booth, 46, one child.