

SPELLING MATCHES.

THE extensive and energetic revival of spelling matches in the East, and the extension of the same to the Pacific slope is one of the noteworthy bits of current news, and the following rules and regulations for a double match at Lincoln Hall, Washington, D. C., between two classes of non-professionals, led by professors, and two classes of professionals, the latter being between grammar school boys and girls, and reporters, printers, proof readers, etc., may be interesting—

"1. The standard authority for spelling shall be according to either Webster or Worcester.

"2. The speller shall have the right to ask the definition of a word before spelling; and also to except to the pronunciation of a word, if he or she deems it lacking in authority.

"3. When a word is misspelled it shall not be again put in the same class, but the schoolmaster shall give the correct spelling to the audience.

"4. The referees shall decide all questions raised. In case of disagreement the presiding officer shall decide.

"5. The first spelling of a word by a contestant shall be final. But this rule shall not preclude the correction of an error by a speller if discovered and corrected before the final syllable is spelled.

"6. The words selected for the contests shall exclude, so far as possible, all words of a technical, medical, or purely scientific character, also geographical and proper names; and shall be confined to words in use in general reading, writing, and speaking."

Correspondence.

Liverpool—Improvements—The Climate—Moody and Sankey Revival—The Work in England.

LIVERPOOL,  
March, 1st, 1875.

Hon. John Taylor:

Dear Brother—I find in my walks through Liverpool that a great many changes have taken place during the past 23 years, in a number of new docks, several large and handsome buildings and improvements on others, a fine new landing stage on the river, 2,700 feet long and 200 feet wide, the decking of which was burned in July last, but is now being fixed up again. The climate also seems to have changed very much—the Summers are warmer, the Winters cold, with rain, some frost, and not much snow. Last Summer was most remarkably warm, the thermometer raising to 87°, which is claimed as very warm for Liverpool. This present Winter is such a one the people have not had here for years. Since New Year's day it has rained over half the time, with snow and frost for about two weeks, the balance of the time, foggy and misty, with an occasional dry day. The gales have been very severe, causing much damage to property and loss of life.

On my arrival here I was appointed to labor in the Durham and Newcastle conference, which comprises the north part of England and south of Scotland. On my way to my field of labor I stayed at Lancaster one week, visiting among my relations, and obtaining a clue to my genealogy, in which I found some broken links which I shall endeavor to get together.

On the 1st of September I was called to return to Liverpool to labor in the *Millennial Star* office, where I have been ever since. I can assure you I have felt well in my labors, as I always have done in the discharge of duty, although my health has been very poor most of the time. So far as I know the Elders generally throughout the mission enjoy the best of feelings, they seem to a man to be working diligently for the spread of the principles of the gospel, but it seems an up-hill business. This world and the things thereof appear to be first and uppermost in the heads and hearts of the people. Religion is at a low ebb, especially as revealed in these last days.

Liverpool is now having, and has been since Feb. 7th, a grand revival under the auspices of two Christian Americans from Chicago, something after the style of

the "Big Tent" revival held at Salt Lake sometime ago, only the people of Liverpool felt so charitable, that they expended £4,000 in building a hall for their express use, which will convene some 8,000 people. These men, Messrs. Moody and Sankey, have been to several of the large cities of Scotland and England, and seem to have taken Liverpool by storm. They hold three meetings each day, all of which have been generally crowded, especially in the evening. Mr. Moody does the preaching and telling anecdotes, while Mr. Sankey attends to the singing. One feature of their success is, they have no party of their own. Hence they invite ministers of all creeds, sects and parties to a seat on the stand, and call upon them to assist in the prayers and occasionally address the congregation, a great many of whom attend regularly, each minister in hopes, I presume, of reaping a rich harvest of the converted when these men shall leave. Bro. Joseph F. Smith and myself attended two meetings. We find the old cry, "Believe in Jesus, and you shall be saved, &c., is the great theme. It is a simple and convenient matter to possess a belief in the Savior which according to Mr. Moody and the sectarian creeds is all-sufficient for the vilest sinner or the murderer on the scaffold. Yet this easy task does not seem to meet with universal favor, for, compared with the many, the votaries of this salvation-made-easy and free religion are very few, these large congregations are mainly had through curiosity. The principles of the Gospel as taught by the Savior and his apostles and revealed to the children of men in the last days are not much sought after, yet I cannot see how any man can be consistent with a profession of faith in Jesus, or the divine mission of the Prophet Joseph Smith, either in Zion or the world, either Saint or sectarian, without he accepts all in integrity.

On February 16th Mr. J. W. Coward called at the Office, and said he wanted to bear his testimony to us, as he said he had been warned, and he felt it his duty to warn his neighbors. Bro. Smith took hold in earnest, after hearing him for a short time, and read him some of the revelations from the Doctrine and Covenants and also some passages from the Bible, which came rather hard on him and his ideas.

The English mission is now composed of twelve conferences, presided over by the Utah missionaries, and consists of 4,101 officers and members, which is very different to the times when you were here. A few are being added to the Church occasionally. Our emigration season commences about the 12th of May, at which time it is anticipated a goodly company will be ready to emigrate.

Bro. Smith is enjoying good health and spirits, and desires to be remembered to you.

Hoping to be permitted to return by the first company of Saints,

I remain your brother in the Gospel,  
L. JOHN NUTTALL.

School Jubilee.

BRIGHAM CITY,  
March 30th, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

At 9 a. m. of the 26th inst. the juveniles of our lovely City, together with some of their parents, and the supts. of the adjacent settlements, numbering in all about 700 persons, met in our public hall, which was nicely decorated with evergreens, beautiful portraits of our worthy Pres., Brigham Young and Counsel, large mirrors and beautiful pictures pendent from the walls. Everything was tastefully arranged for the occasion by our decorating committee.

At half past nine, order was called, when the opening hymn was sung by the school, under the leadership of S. N. Lee. Prayer by the chaplain, A. Madsen, when the Sunday school choir sang "Our Sabbath Home." Our supt. J. C. Wixom, delivered the opening address. The rest of the day's exercises, which lasted until 4 p. m., less an hour at noon to refresh the inner man, consisted of recitations, dialogues, stump speeches, etc., selected with care from good books by our managing committee, J. C. Wixom, A. Madsen, C. Kelley and T. H. Wilde, interspersed with beautiful songs from members of our juvenile choir. Organ accompaniments by Mrs. Minnie Snow. When the choir had sung "The World's Jubi-

lee," President Lorenzo Snow delivered the closing address, speaking words of encouragement and expressing himself happily surprised at the creditable manner in which the children acquitted themselves of their tasks. After the school sang, "Tis Our Own Sunday School," and benediction by the chaplain, all dispersed, expressing themselves more than satisfied with the exercises.

At 7 p. m. the doors of the Theatre were opened to admit free all who had attended regularly at the school, when the "Idiot Witness" was rendered in a creditable manner by the Juvenile Dramatic Company. The regular company concluded the entertainment with the farce of "The Spectre Bridegroom."

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