UTAH STAKE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Flowing Meetings Held at American Fork August 5.

The Deseret Sunday School Union for the northern part of the State convened at American Fork August 5th, 1894. Among the visitors were Elders Levi W. Richards and Joseph Summerhays, of the Deseret Union Board of Sabbath schools; Elder Davis John, Stake Superintendent T. E. Eggertsen and William S. Rowlison, Secretary James Hardy and Patriarch John Brown, with a large attendance of officers, teachers and things accompanied from the respective wards in the north. The meeting was held in the grove in the east part of American Fork, which was well attended and commodious.

Called to order at 10 o'clock.

Prayer by Superintendent William Yates, of Lehi.

Superintendent Warren H. Smith, of American Fork, extended welcome to all who were present, which was responded to by Assistant Superintendent W. S. Rawlings, thanking the good people of American Fork for the welcome.

The exercises of the following schools were well rendered: American Fork, Pleasant Grove and Cedar Fort.

Superintendent T. E. Eggertsen briefly reported the schools of the Stake, so far as has been visited, in good working condition.

Elder Levi W. Richards said he was interested in the Sabbath school cause and was pleased to hear the exercises that had been given, and admired the school workers to continue their labors.

The schools of Pleasant Grove 1, 2 and 3, also Lehi and Alpine were each replied by their superintendents as to a fair working condition and improving in their class work.

Benediction by Bishop Chidey.

Afternoon session, 2 p.m.—Prayer by Elder Moyle, of Alpine.

Recitation, Second Ward School, Pleasant Grove.

Class exercise, North School, Lehi, primary department.

Class song, American Fork First Intermediate, "Beautiful Words of Love."

Class exercise, second intermediate, Pleasant Grove, Second ward.

Elder Joseph Summerhays then addressed the school; said he was pleased to meet and witness this large gathering and hear the exercises that had been so well rendered. He had been in these valleys 18 years and this is the best place on earth. The work of the Sabbath schools is of far more importance than any mission among the nations of the earth. Here we have the brightest spirits in labor among and we cannot work in a better name. Young men and all must paddle their own canoe and there are two ways of guiding the bark, one up stream and the other down, "but be sure you keep going up stream and we will reach the fountain of life." He closed with an earnest appeal for all to be earnest workers in the Sabbath schools.

J. H. Vance, of Alpine, sang "O, My Father" in most pleasing manner.

President T. E. John said: It has pleased me to witness these exercises and rejoice in the advancement made by our children. The Sunday school is a great factor in our Church today, and good work is being done through the labors of our brethren and sisters, as we have witnessed this day. Our children have every opportunity to grow in wisdom and receive the knowledge which will make them instruments in doing much good for the furtherance of this work. As parents our greatest joy is in having our children learn and keep the commandments of the Lord. Every child of the Latter-day Saints should attend Sabbath school, and as parents we should see that they are there.

Patriarch John Brown and Elder Levi W. Richards bore testimony to the good work of Sunday schools and blessed all who were laboring for the youth of Zion.

Bishop Robinson was glad the meeting had been held in American Fork, and hoped we would favor them again. These unions are productive of much good.

Superintendent T. E. Eggertsen tendered a vote of thanks to the people of American Fork for their kindness and hospitality which had been extended to them, which was carried by a unanimous "aye."

Benediction by James Gardner.

JAMES HARDY,
Stake Secretary.

Senators as Speculators.

Is it consistent with sound public policy that members of either house of Congress be deemed, during their term of office, free to deal in stocks and boost the value of which is liable to be increased as a direct consequence of congressional legislation? I have never at any time believed that it was consistent with good policy or good morals. The question, however, has never proved itself specially worth my attention until the debate of the senate in the house during the extraordinary session of 1893 on the bill to repeal the silver purchase clause of the Sherman law. The point was then raised by one of the senators from Nevada, who offered a resolution looking to the appointment of a committee to inquire whether any senator was the owner of stock in any national bank. The purpose of the resolution doubtless was who might vote on the repeal had a direct personal interest in such repeal—an interest greater than that of the general public. This interest, it was assumed, would be felt by reason of the fact that a repeal of the Sherman law would, in all probability, result in a contraction of the currency, and the contraction of currency would tend to the depression of the price of all securities, and would be a source of great profit, according to them, by reason of the change in the purchasing power of money. Many of the senators did not, even the resolution gave promise to the serious consideration. However opinions may be entertained with reference to that point, there can be no doubt that the general question involved is one that must appeal to later reader the serious attention of members of Congress both of the people. During the discussion upon that resolution it was curiously noticed by the senate that a member of either House of Congress may be unquestionable right—legal as well as moral—to be pecuniarily interested in stocks and bonds whose value might be augmented upon the official action of the members of the congress. It was pointed out that a senator may be a resident of the seaside from New York, "who may have a right," said he, "to be very fortunate enough to be worth ten or fifteen millions in national bonds or state stocks, or many other securities. They have a right to be interested in the rise of bonds, security or commodity and any legislation they may give directly upon this subject, though, with reference to other public interests, will not be affected by any pecuniary interest they may have." I confess that this language was a surprise to me. Up to that moment I did not suppose it possible that any one would be bold enough to justify the holding of members of either house, of stocks and bonds whose value might be increased by their own votes.—From "Speech to Forty Legislators," by Senator Eugene Ware, of Kansas, delivered in South Dakota during the August.

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