

A man very much resembling James C. Dunham, the fugitive from justice who murdered an entire family near San Jose about a year ago, has been arrested in Mexico and officers have started to bring back the prisoner should he prove to be the party wanted.

The following Salt Lakers are registered at the leading hotels: Mrs. A. McAllister, Mrs. A. Gobbatt and Mrs. E. Knoppen at the Grand; E. Smith and C. E. Angell at the Russ House; and Owen Hogle, Oakland. S.

BOX ELDER STAKE CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the Box-elder Stake of Zion was held in the tabernacle at Brigham City Sunday and Monday, the 24th and the 25th instants. There were present of the council of the Twelve Apostles, President L. Snow and Elder Franklin D. Richards, also the presidency of the Boxelder Stake, and a good attendance at all the meetings.

After the usual opening exercises President Clawson in brief reported the condition of the Stake. He said the general organizations of the Stake are complete; the presidency and High Council meet once a month for the purpose of considering matters of interest to the Saints in the Stake, and those called to preside over the general organizations and wards are as a rule faithful brethren and sisters; yet there is too much contention, strife and division among the Latter-day Saints; if the records of the various quorums are examined, it will be found that there is a laxity in attendance at meetings. The speaker stated that this report was not made in the spirit of fault-finding; but for the purpose of showing the actual condition, that the Saints might see their error and determine to do better. He urged upon the officers of the various organizations to see that their records are completed to date and then kept up.

Elder F. D. Richards in an interesting and impressive discourse chided the Latter-day Saints for harboring feelings of hatred towards their brethren because of politics; urged the people to arouse from their drowsiness, call upon the Lord frequently in prayer, seek to obtain the Spirit of God and be doers of righteousness. He also spoke briefly on the importance of having true and faithful records.

2 p. m.—The general and Stake authorities were unanimously sustained by the conference. Oleen N. Stohl was honorably released as Stake clerk and Nephi Anderson chosen to succeed him in that position.

President Lorenzo Snow urged the Latter-day Saints to cease harboring feelings of hatred against one another and to be ready at all times to manifest a spirit of forgiveness toward an offending brother. He counseled the parents to set proper examples for their children to follow; contrasted the present condition of the people of Brigham City with that of 45 years ago.

Elder Franklin D. Richards related some of his early experiences in the Church showing the trials and hardships the Saints were called to pass through; admonished the Saints to study carefully our Church works, particularly the Book of Mormon and the Doctrine and Covenants; showed the necessity of parents teaching their children the principles of the Gospel and spoke of the evils that follow those of our sons and daughters who marry outside the everlasting covenant.

Second day, 10 a. m.—President Clawson announced that the morning service would be devoted to the bearing of testimonies. The following brethren occupied the time: Bishops A. Goodliff, A. A. Jensen, P. C. Jensen,

Elders John D. Burt, Oleen N. Stohl, W. L. Watkins.

President Lorenzo Snow spoke of the various ways in which testimonies to the truth of the Gospel are obtained; it is not always the person who receives a testimony of the Gospel through the visitation of angels that has the strongest testimony or is most faithful in the Church; after a person is born again it is the right and duty of that individual to enjoy the gifts of the Gospel until he attains perfection.

Stake Superintendent O. W. Snow in briefly reporting the condition of the Sunday schools said the total enrollment of the schools of the Stake is about 3,000; the average attendance of members, 58 per cent; of officers, 75 per cent; all the schools in the Stake are graded according to the guide.

2 p. m.—Elder Adolph Madson testified that he knew that the brethren called to preside in this Stake were called by the Lord; he had a similar testimony to bear regarding the calling of President Snow; was pleased to note the hearty and unanimous vote given the general and Stake authorities, when they were presented to the conference for their acceptance; spoke praisingly of the good work done by Brother Lee and his choir.

Elder Charles Kelly rejoiced in the testimonies borne, counsels given, and the rich portion of the Spirit of God poured out upon this conference. The keynote given at the last Semi-Annual Conference and at this conference is unity among the Latter-day Saints; spoke of the necessity of obeying the law of Tithing.

President Lorenzo Snow: The great mission of the Latter-day Saints is the salvation of souls. "Save your own soul and help to save the souls of your immediate blood-relations; if you will seek opportunities to do good in this direction they will be given you as fast as you are able to perform them;" testified that the power and influence of God is manifested in our Temples in a truly remarkable degree.

After singing and benediction the conference adjourned for three months.

OLEEN N. STOHL, Clerk.

ON BEAR LAKE'S SHORES.

Lake Town, Rich county, Utah, Oct. 24, 1897.—We are now in the midst of our Bear Lake fall with its variable weather. Everybody is very busy in plowing up the potato crop and housing it for the winter, and hauling to Evanston—our local marketing point. Prices on cattle are as high as in days of yore and buyers almost as plentiful as animals. A dollar in cash for wheat here in Lake Town, and 65 cents per hundred for potatoes at Evanston with good demand, naturally causes our farmer friends to rejoice, because it facilitates their payment of store dues and taxes and other obligations. Next to having successful crops (with which our brethren have been blessed this season) nothing causes our farmers sweeter sleep than the knowledge of the possession of O. K. receipt in full of all dues to date, and "no mortgage on the farm"—a feeling the merchants hereabouts are wont to encourage. Our preachers tell us very frequently that we are a blessed people in Lake Town and, of course, we believe it; especially when we notice the good, plump and long stacks of alfalfa and other hay and the well-filled granaries and the comfortably clad and conditioned appearance of our assemblies both young and old, also our corrals filled with growing stock, and our good health generally. All of this and much else might truthfully be taken as corroboration of the assertion that we are a blessed people.

As to fruit hereabouts—if the distance weren't so great, how we would like to send you some samples of very fine pears, nice apples, plums, cherries, crab-apples, also raspberries, currants, gooseberries, strawberries and all manner of small fruit, in very great abundance, that are produced here, from the Nehemiah Weston orchard—pears such as we think cannot be excelled in any country on earth, for size or quality. So much in answer to the observation of your man from Cache, that Lake Town had little or no fruit, an observation made—by the way—for utter lack of observation by the writer. Later we hope to send you a few appropriate statistics on this subject which may prove an "eye-opener" to the man "who had eyes and knew how to use them" as per your headlines to our friend's correspondence.

We have quite a number of our young people at Logan attending the B. Y. College. The families of Bishop Ira Nebeker and Senator Aquila Nebeker are nearly all there—and children of County Commissioner Jos. Weston. George S. Weston and Bishop Gibbons are over there in the interest of self culture. Our district school is well fitted out with latest school furniture and apparatus, and is being successfully conducted, the primary by Miss Johnson, our postmaster's daughter, and the intermediate by Alfred Hart, a graduate of the Agricultural College, and a son of Elder J. H. Hart of Bloomington, Idaho.

Our people are blessed this fall in the fact that they have no politics to rend them asunder. We can watch the battle from afar this time and perhaps get a "pointer" from the contestants, and be prepared after a while, if we can so far sacrifice our feelings, to cast our vote and use our influence for the best men or women to fill the offices, regardless of the political leanings or ideas of the candidates.

Peace and plenty abound—a good sociable feeling is prevalent—no drunkenness, no carousing, meetings fairly well attended, Sunday school particularly prospering and doing an excellent work. Our four young men missionaries write encouraging letters from their fields of labor, in Yorkshire, England, Mississippi, North Carolina and Alabama conferences, and these have a very salutary effect upon our local boys—impelling some of them to study and so order their lives that when called upon they will not be utterly unprepared for the call.

The "News" proves to be an ever-welcome visitor to our home hereabouts and is doing a good work among us.

Business is brisk among our merchants, the sheep industry is flourishing and growing annually in our county. All things considered we can report very favorably of our region. Yes, the preacher was right. We are blessed temporally and spiritually, so much so that we can consistently thank heaven that we live in this day of "Gospel blaze," this land of liberty, and in these valleys of the mountains.

JOSEPH IRWIN.

Winnifred Forsyth has been freed from her marriage to William G. Forsyth, but she has been unable to obtain possession of her baby boy, who was abducted some months ago by his father. Forsyth did not oppose the suit of his wife. A summons was published in the papers of the Northwest, but Forsyth paid no attention to the notice. He was not represented, made no replies to the different documents in the case and no testimony on his behalf was taken before Court Commissioner George Babcock, of Oakland, Cal., who took the testimony.