

Many of the Saints who are yet in the world are looking with longing eyes to this people for assistance to enable them to gather. When many of the latter left their relatives and friends in the lands of their birth, they felt in their hearts that if the Lord would bless them temporally they would assist those friends and relatives to come to Zion. Those Saints have come here and have been prospered. Then they should not forget those whom they have left behind when they have means to use for their deliverance. We have made sacred and holy covenants before God. Those covenants will have to be answered upon our heads before the Great Judge of all. The covenants we make by silently lifting our hands to Heaven, are as binding upon us as though they had been spoken, or entered into in writing. Many make covenants and then break them in a few days after they are made. Such give themselves up to fault-finding, grumbling and the powers of darkness. We often make covenants at our conferences. If we have made a covenant to keep what is called "the Word of Wisdom," and have broken that covenant, shall we not come under condemnation? None can plead ignorance in relation to this matter, for it has been taught to the people in every part of this Territory. Have we not arrived at a point in our history, as the people of God, when we can attend to these simple matters? If the people were more faithful, the Destroyer would have less power. The Lord has promised that the destroying angel should pass by those who comply with his word. In some instances the people do not conform to the teachings and examples of the highest authorities of the Church. Another cause is the physical weakness we have inherited from our fathers.

Money is said to be the root of all evil. When the love of money is allowed to be implanted in our hearts, we have within us a fruitful source of many of the evils that exist in the world.

This love of money has been sown in the hearts of the human family, and is very difficult to eradicate. The Lord revealed to Joseph Smith that the Saints should consecrate all property that they did not need for the support of their families, and throw it into the treasury of the Lord's House. The Order of Enoch comprehended not only spiritual, but temporal things. This consecrated property was to be used for a variety of purposes. For the support of widows and orphans and the building up of the New Jerusalem. Since we came here, what have many been doing? Building up our enemies without means, yet the servants of the Lord have been pleading with this people in relation to our property concerns. The co-operative movement is but one step towards that great order of things that has been revealed by the Lord. Until the people are prepared to carry out the revealed laws in relation to property, Zion cannot be redeemed. We have made one step in the right direction, but we will not stop here. The draining of thousands of dollars from this people into the hands of our enemies, who would use the means thus obtained to destroy us, has been stayed. The outsiders who have filled their pockets with the means of this people do not like this movement. Yet, as our President has said, sensible men will say "this is a wise move of you, 'Mormons.'" The surest mode for the enrichment of the people is to manufacture everything needed to supply our own necessities. As our President has sometimes said, our wants are many, but our real necessities are few.

ELDER WILFORD WOODRUFF next spoke: Joseph Smith laid the foundation of a great work that was to be accomplished by those who should follow, after. The day has come when the saints will have to take hold of temporal matters in a proper manner. It has been said that the introduction of the true order of temporal things will prove an antidote to grasping dishonesty. This is true. We have been enriching many who would willingly have sold every member of the Church and Kingdom of God for a dollar each, and thought they had made a good bargain. This should cease. We are living in a momentous period, a time when God will bring about His great purposes. Joseph Smith was commissioned by the Almighty to inaugurate His great work. His mantle has fallen upon President Young to carry that work forward. In the vision of my mind I can see a mighty people; I can see the Jews setting their faces Eastward for the Holy land. May the Lord so bless us that we may understand our position. I pray that I may see the Order of Enoch introduced. I pray

that God may bless President Young, that he may live to see the accomplishment of that for which he has labored so many years.

PRESIDENT BRIGHAM YOUNG delivered a short, but powerful discourse, which was replete with good counsel, in relation to the Word of Wisdom, home manufacture, the Order of Enoch, &c. His remarks will shortly be published *verbatim*.

The congregation sang "O ye Mountains high."

Conference adjourned till to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

Elder Orson Pratt dismissed.

There was a much larger attendance at the Conference to-day than yesterday. For over an hour before each meeting a living stream poured into the huge Tabernacle. This afternoon the building was densely filled in every part. A view from the stand of the sea of upturned faces was well calculated to inspire the looker-on with peculiar feelings. To behold the spectacle of such a multitude of people, representing almost every nationality on the face of the globe, who have willingly left the homes of their birth and the friends of their youth and come with one common object to the place designated by the Almighty as the gathering place of His people, and who had met on this occasion to be instructed in the ways of the Lord was a sight not soon to be forgotten.

Thursday Morning, April 8th, 1869.

Conference was called to order by President Brigham Young.

Tabernacle choir sang the hymn on page 292, commencing "I saw a mighty Angel fly."

Elder Geo. Q. Cannon prayed.

Tabernacle choir sang the hymn on page 293, "Go ye Messengers of Glory," &c.

PRESIDENT BRIGHAM YOUNG addressed the Conference. He understood that many of the Saints had borrowed money from their friends in the old countries to assist them to come here and have not paid it back. Even Elders in Israel had obtained money and had not returned it. Such excused themselves by saying they received it as a gift. He wished all such to pay such monies back with interest, that the gift may go around. If any should refuse to refund what they had borrowed, the Bishops should cut such off from the Church. We wish the Saints to make liberal donations for the gathering of their brethren and sisters this year. I should like to propose a condition as to whom we shall gather. We see many after they come here indulge in evil practices and depart from the faith. Would it not be well to have all whom we shall gather, before they leave the old countries, make a solemn covenant that they will keep the Word of Wisdom and otherwise live in accordance with their religion when they get here? This people should cease entirely and forever to trade with those who would destroy us. Many think they have a perfect right to trade where they please; such have not the light of the gospel in them. They are filled with darkness. It was said by one of the brethren that it would be easier to raise the dead than it is to govern and control the people. This is true. It would be easy for the Lord to resuscitate a body that the breath had left, but He cannot control and govern this people but by His laws and His persuasions. It is no miracle for the Lord to raise the dead. There is no such thing as a miracle only to those who are ignorant of the laws by which such things are performed. We see the effects to-day of the people being so far controlled in relation to trading with their enemies. The number of merchants, clerks, &c., of those who are not of us, such as would use their influence and means against us, has been greatly reduced. I have been driven from my home five times. I do not wish to see those scenes re-enacted. In relation to the Female Relief Societies, they have been instrumental in doing a large amount of good. The names of those sisters who have been diligent in doing good will be handed down through all eternity. The sisters should take the lead in abolishing the tendency of the mothers and daughters in Israel to follow after the foolish fashions of the world. This matter lies principally with sisters and but few of the brethren care anything about fashion. Let every ward and settlement have a Female Relief Society and also a store that they may do their own trading. Some wanted to know whether it was right to send east for goods or trade at the parent store. At Lehi the Co-operative store at the end of five months was able to pay a dividend of about \$28,00 on each

share of \$25,00 which was the result of replenishing their stock often instead of once or twice a year from the east. At other places they had done even better than this. I do not want the men of capital to buy out all the shares in these stores. The poor should have a chance. Let the men of capital build factories, raise and purchase wool, flax &c., manufacture cloth, linen and other fabrics. Let the people observe every word of God which leads to life, happiness and glory.

PRESIDENT YOUNG headed a subscription list to gather the poor with a donation of \$2,000.

PRESIDENT G. A. SMITH next spoke. Any who manifest a spirit that would prevent our consolidation in business and other matters are led towards apostasy. The manuscript of the Book of Mormon is in the Deseret alphabet, and is now ready for publication. It is designed to publish an edition of ten thousand copies, suitable for the use of schools. Its publication will involve considerable expense.

Complaints have been made that men without character or reputation, have been engaged to teach in schools. This has been, measurably, on account of the brethren being diffident in taking schools. A department has been instituted in the University of Deseret to prepare young men and women to take charge of schools.

It is advisable that parents should send their children to the University, that they may be qualified as teachers. Every man who has not done so should take the earliest opportunity of declaring his intentions of citizenship. It was necessary for our wellbeing and protection. Congress, last season, concluded to give the people some rights in regard to the land they had cultivated.

A number have been called to go South to strengthen the settlements there. Some have not gone on account of their being engaged in building the railroad. Those who are now free from their engagements on the railroad are expected to fulfill their mission, unless they have been called to go on other missions.

The inhabitants of this Territory should strictly observe the militia laws that we may be able to protect ourselves. Let us have our arms in order and never let our ammunition grow scarce. Above all things, let us sustain and build up Zion.

President George A. Smith's discourse consisted of a number of texts which he wished the people to elaborate in their own minds.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON.—One point has been advanced which is very striking, namely, that Zion can never be redeemed until this people are prepared to enter into what is called the Order of Enoch. The interest in regard to building up the centre stake of Zion should never flag. Our individual work is to prepare ourselves to enter upon this Order. Although this is a beautiful city yet it is very far from being what we expect the New Jerusalem to be. The servants of God have had much trouble in preventing many from selling out their homes here. Until we become imbued with the feeling that all we have belongs to the Lord we can never go to Jackson County, there to re-build up Zion. Here is an individual question to ask ourselves: Are we ready to lay all we possess at the feet of the Bishop, and take our stewardship from him, be it much or little, and turn all our surplus property into the treasury of the Lord? What is the Celestial law? It is being revealed, but probably will not be revealed in its fullness until we enter the Celestial kingdom.

Elder McAllister sang the hymn on page 71, "O, say what is Truth."

Conference adjourned till two p. m.

Elder Brigham Young, jr., dismissed. The authorities of the Church were sustained this afternoon. The particulars will be published with the Minutes, to-morrow.

Thursday, 2 p. m.

Conference was called to order by President Brigham Young.

Tabernacle choir sang, "The Glorious Day is rolling on."

Prayer by Elder E. T. Benson.

"Ye ransomed of the Lord," was sung by the Tabernacle choir.

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON presented the Authorities of the Church for the approval or disapproval of the Saints, as follows:

Brigham Young, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, George A. Smith his first and Daniel H. Wells his second counselor. Orson Hyde, President of the Quorum

of the Twelve Apostles, and Orson Pratt, sen., John Taylor, Wilford Woodruff, Ezra T. Benson, Charles C. Rich, Lorenzo Snow, Erastus Snow, Franklin D. Richards, George Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, jun., and Joseph F. Smith members of the said Quorum. John Smith, Patriarch of the Church.

John W. Young, President of this Stake of Zion, and George B. Wallace and John T. Caine his counselors.

William Eddington, John L. Blythe, Howard O. Spencer, Claudius V. Spencer, John Squires, Wm. H. Folsom, Emanuel M. Murphy, Thomas E. Jeremy, George W. Thatcher, Charles S. Kimball, Joseph L. Barfoot, Samuel W. Richards, Nathaniel H. Felt, John H. Rumell, Miner G. Atwood, Hampden S. Beatie, Wm. Thorn, Dimick B. Huntington and Theodore McKean, members of the High Council.

John Young, President of the High Priests' Quorum, Edwin D. Wooley and Samuel W. Richards his counselors.

Joseph Young, President of the first seven Presidents of the Seventies, and Levi W. Hancock, Henry Harriman, Albert P. Rockwood, Horace S. Eldredge, Jacob Gates, and John Van Cott, members of the first seven Presidents of the Seventies.

Edward Hunter, Presiding Bishop Leonard W. Hardy and Jesse C. Little, his counselors.

Benjamin L. Peart, President of the Elders' Quorum, Milton H. Davis and Abinadi Pratt, his counselors.

Samuel G. Ladd, President of the Priests' Quorum; Robert Price and Wm. McLaughlin his counsellors.

Adam Spiers, President of the Teachers' Quorum; Henry I. Doremus and Martin Lenzi his counsellors.

James Leach, President of the Deacon's Quorum; Peter Johnson and Chas. S. Cram his counsellors.

Brigham Young, Trustee in Trust for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Truman O. Angell, Architect for the Church.

Brigham Young, President of the Perpetual Emigration Fund to gather the poor; George A. Smith, Daniel H. Wells, and Edward Hunter his assistants for said fund.

George A. Smith, Historian and General Church Recorder, and Wilford Woodruff, his assistant.

The votes in favor of sustaining the Authorities were unanimous.

PRESIDENT BRIGHAM YOUNG delivered a powerful and eloquent discourse, of which it would be impossible to give a correct idea in a short synopsis. His remarks will, in a short time, be published entire.

Conference adjourned until the 6th day of next October.

Elder McAllister and the congregation sang the hymn on page 165, beginning "Do what is right, the day dawn is breaking."

Benediction by President Geo. A. Smith.

JOHN NICHOLSON,

Clerk of Conference.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES CALLED BY THE CONFERENCE.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON:

Amos Nef;	A. P. Shumway;
John Toone, sen.;	Shumway, (bro-
Charles John Moseley,	ther to A. P.);
of Santaquin;	George H. Dunford;
Johan Carl Larsen;	Erik Pehrson, Rush
George Romney;	Valley;
Eli Whipple, St. George;	Erik Peterson, Salt
Levi Garrett;	Lake City;
Thomas Weaver;	Johan Holmberg;
E. H. Harrington, Kan-	Johan Ergren;
arra, Washington Co.;	Johan Tuddenham.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

John Jaques;	Samuel P. Teasdel;
Charles Wilcken;	Geo. Barton;
Hamilton G. Park;	Hiram Kimball;
John Hongard, jun.;	Geo. W. Groo;
Geo. W. Thurmond, Ce-	Albert P. Dewey;
dar Fort, Utah Co.;	Robert J. Golding;
Samuel Savery;	Granville Gillet, of 9th
Alexander Beard, of	Ward;
West Jordan;	Anthony Godbe;
Geo. Moesser, of West	George Henry Snell;
Jordan;	Geo. Lake;
Henry Rudy;	Abraham F. Doremus;
	J. Quincy Knowlton;

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Samuel M. Price, Cache	William Taylor, of Lehi
County,	George H. Knowlton,
George O. Noble,	Alma Eldredge,
Theodore W. Curtis, jr.,	George Peterson, Weber
Milford B. Shipp,	Valley,
Charles Wilcken;	

NOTICE!

ALL persons owning land north of Emigration cut, taking Water from Ditch No. 1, are required to come and repair the same on the 19th and 20th inst., commencing at Bro. Angell's farm.

By order of Wm. CLARK,

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