

Correspondence.

We are obliged to Elder Erastus Snow for the letter from which we make the following extracts, written to him by Bishop Gardner of St. George, under date Jan. 31st.

Our last missionary meeting was held a week ago last Sunday, when it was agreed that Wm. Snow, H. Burgess, R. Bentley, S. L. Adams and Robert Gould should visit the settlements between here and Rockville. They returned yesterday and brought a good report. They read your communication in all the settlements, and the people are quite spirited in giving money and stock to gather the Saints.

At the meeting above referred to it was decided that most of the missionaries, for the present, labor in St. George, commencing with the Bishops, Bishops Counsellors and Acting Teachers. I am happy to state that a good spirit seems to be stirring among the people. We have Thursday evening meetings in the Hall, and a ward meeting for the 3rd ward on Wednesday evenings, at John M. Moody's house. We also have Monday evening lectures in the Hall.

We have four day schools and one Sunday school, all of which are well attended.

The missionaries intended for the Muddy, that have come in, have passed on, down to their destination.

I have not been out of St. George myself, and do not expect to get much time to go out this winter. Brothers Bleak, Woolley, Angus and San Giovanni went to Santa Clara last Sunday. Bros. Bleak and Woolley go to Washington next Sunday. Bros. Robert Lund and Geo. H. Crosby will accompany them.

We have seven stone cutters at work on stone for the meeting house. We laid stone till the lime was all used. Judd's kiln is filled, but cannot be burned for want of wood, which cannot be got just yet as the roads are very bad and snow is deep in the cedars. We have had considerable snow and rain since you left, which has made our city very muddy; but since last Monday the weather has been fine. We expect to get wood for lime burning, so as to get it burned by the end of next week.

Brother Coplan and a company went south to Black Cañon on a reconnoitering expedition. They found no sign of Indians. They saw some stock and horses out there, all fat.

I heard from Pine Valley to-day. Snow is two feet there, and crusted hard enough to nearly bear up a horse.

We had excellent meetings yesterday. Bro. Fuller, from St. Thomas, was one of the speakers. He said everything was prospering there.

We had a meeting of our missionaries in the afternoon. Bishop D. D. McArthur, Brothers John O. Angus, John M. Moody and Homer Duncan are appointed to visit the Muddy settlements: they start on Tuesday.

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