

are all looking forward with fond anticipations to the hand-shaking and greeting of the little band of fishers and hunters who will meet in conference on the 15th and 16th of September, 1894, when we hope to have a profitable time and of rejoicing together. The health of the Elders and Saints in this conference is good with slight exceptions. F. C. JOHNSON.

NOTICE.

As there have been many false reports circulated about the Mormon Elders who have been traveling in this part of the vineyard, there is one especially which I wish to correct, which relates to myself. It is reported that I tried to drive them from my place and they would not go, saying the Lord had sent them. This, like many other stories which have been told, I declare to be false. It is true that I have at various times entertained them during the last thirteen months and can truly say that I have been blessed for so doing, as every other man will be who administers to the servants of God, for the Savior has said that whosoever received those whom He sent, received Him. Then if we receive not those who bring the Gospel peace, we would not receive Him. Therefore, I wish it understood that as I understand the Scripture I would be doing as great a wrong in turning one of them from my door as I would the Savior Himself, whose servants I believe them to be. Two of them came to my house a little over a year ago and I gave them their dinners, and as they were going to preach at our schoolhouse that night, I gave them some papers to read, telling them to sit and rest while I went about my work, thinking about the fun we were going to have at the meeting, as I, like a great many others of this community, thought there was but little if any good in Mormonism as it is called.

On going to meeting I was gladly disappointed, for instead of hearing the nonsense that I expected to hear, I heard the gospel preached, and it was plainly brought to my mind that in fulfillment of the prophecy of Daniel, 2d chapter, and the vision of John the Revelator, while on the Isle of Patmos, as recorded in the 14th chapter, that the gospel taught by our Savior and His Apostles had been restored to the earth, to gather the honest in heart, preparing for His second coming, and as several of my family were members of different churches, while I myself being a man past 58 years of age, have not been able to find in any of them the Gospel as I understand the holy scripture, therefore, having a desire to know the truth and obey it, I began to read the Bible with greater interest than ever before. After being thoroughly convinced of the truth, I was very anxious to obey the Gospel, which I did, and I am proud to be able to say with a good conscience that I am a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and wish it understood that I am and always will be glad to serve the Lord and entertain His servants.

Resp'y,

G. W. JEWELL.

CONFERENCE IN KENTUCKY.

Again the Elders of the Kentucky conference of the southern states mission enjoyed the inestimable privilege

of meeting in conference on the 15th and 16th inst., when they met under the shade of a commodious arbor erected for the occasion in the magnificent grove of Brother George Jewell.

The newly converted Saints had never before been present on such an occasion, so that the experiences there enjoyed were all new to them. Long had they anticipated the pleasures they would enjoy on these dates and had vied with each other in their anxiety to make the occasion pleasurable to all who might attend. As a result even Kentucky hospitality was outdone and the Elders partook of their delicious viands with grateful hearts, not forgetting to thank the Lord for the wonderful change that had taken place in the minds of the people that had made these things possible, and in our meetings, too, was the same spirit of brotherly love and kindness exhibited, for all the speakers were mightily moved upon by the Spirit of God, and though they called their auditors to repentance, the feelings of charity and long-suffering towards their fellow men were clearly manifested.

There were two public meetings held each day, where all of the Elders spoke on the various principles of the Gospel, and two meetings were held for the Saints at which the subjects of prayer, the Word of Wisdom and law of tithing were dwelt upon with good effect. Five Priesthood meetings were also held where President Elias S. Kimball heard the report of the Elders and instructed them in their duties. It was shown in the report of the president of the conference that the Elders had visited 5,773 families, held 335 meetings, distributed 7,000 tracts and baptized 25 souls.

Monday the Elders began to arrange for their journey into the various counties allotted them, their fields of labor and P. O. address being as follows:

President L. R. Wells and Elder A. Bevan to work the city of Owensboro, in Davis county; Elders Charles E. Walton and E. B. Murphy, Hancock county, with Hawsville for their P. O.; Elders M. S. Perry and C. W. Houty were assigned to labor in Davis county, Queensboro for their mail address.

Elders Geo. T. Hyde and Mohonri Spence, Lyon county, having Eddyville for their P. O.

Elders F. C. Johnson and F. E. Allred, Livingston county, Smithland their address.

Elders Z. Butterfield and U. D. Thatcher, McCracken county, with Paducah as mission address.

Elders Alma Andrews and Thomas Cook, Jr., Ballard county. Wickliffe is where they will receive their mail.

A. BEVAN,

Clerk of the Conference.

VISIT TO EMERY STAKE.

We have just returned from an interesting visit to Huntington, Emery county. On Friday, Sept. 21st, Elder George Reynolds and I left by the R. G. Western train at 8:05 to attend a two days' annual Sunday school conference at the above place. We reached Price (124 miles) at 1:30 p. m. Here we found our friend Erastus Olsen with his team to convey us the balance of our journey, to Huntington, 22½ miles. About 10 miles from Price, I

was strongly reminded of what took place there on the 11th of Nov., 1888. On descending what we denominated the "Horrible Hill," William Willes, myself, and our driver were all precipitated out of a wagon on the rocks, occasioned by a runaway team. After the accident my companions both pronounced me dead. I had no use in my arm, but they noticed I was still breathing and they placed me on a blanket, my head on a pillow, and left me to look after themselves, as their injuries were as serious as my own. It was a merciful intervention of Providence that we were not all three killed. Our accident was the occasion of a dugway being made to render traffic safer for the general public.

Bro. Reynolds and I arrived at Huntington at 6 o'clock p. m. and were welcomed at the home of Supt. Harmons.

On Saturday and Sunday four meetings were held. Those on Saturday were held in the old meeting house, and those on Sunday in their large new building, the congregation being entirely too large for the old one. At these four meetings one intermediate and one primary class were exercised by their respective teachers, to illustrate the methods adopted in their respective modes of teaching; a song by the primary class was also given. Several schools from Huntington and adjacent districts were reported by their superintendents; and encouraging remarks were made by Elders Larsen, Howard, and the Stake presidency, Stake Supt. U. E. Curtis, etc., the balance of the time being occupied by the visiting brethren on a variety of topics connected with Sunday school government and work.

A very interesting feature occurred on Sunday morning when, after some stirring remarks on the importance and necessity of parents, teachers, superintendents, presidents, Bishops and all others in authority setting an example of abstinence from the use of tea, coffee, beer, liquor and tobacco, a vote was called from all present who would promise to abstain from using the above from that day forward. The whole congregation arose, with scarcely any perceivable exception. It was a solemn and soul stirring occasion. (A similar occurrence took place in the Logan tabernacle the Sunday previous, when the great majority of the large audience arose simultaneously to observe the same abstinence. Surely the Lord is at work among His Saints!)

We left Huntington on Sunday afternoon at 3:30, and arrived in Price at 7 p. m., and having to stay for Monday morning's train, Bishop Franzén, to whose house we were taken (looking more like millers than ministers—being covered with dust) deemed it wisdom to call an evening meeting; and at the toll of the bell, quite a number of the ward responded, to whom we had the pleasure of speaking on Sunday school and other important duties connected with the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We left Price this morning at 7:45 and reached home this afternoon between one and two o'clock, with an earnest and prayerful desire that our labors may redound to the glory of God and profit to those among whom we have been laboring.

GEORGE GODDARD.