

ion acting separately by rising and holding the right hand toward heaven. After the vote of each quorum or division was obtained upon the name of each individual presented, the action by vote of the whole assembly was taken.

The following is the order in which the authorities were presented by Brother Cannon, the vote in each instance being unanimous:

Wilford Woodruff, as Prophet, Seer and Revelator and President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in all the world.

George Q. Cannon as First Counselor in the First Presidency.

Joseph F. Smith as Second Counselor in the First Presidency.

Lorenzo Snow as President of the Twelve Apostles.

As members of the Council of the Twelve Apostles—Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John H. Smith, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, and John W. Taylor.

Counselors to the Twelve Apostles—John W. Young and Daniel H. Wells.

After the above named brethren were voted upon and unanimously sustained, the voting was done by the general assembly only, and not by quorums, on the following:

The Twelve Apostles, with their Counselors, as Prophets, Seers and Revelators.

Patriarch to the Church: John Smith.

First Seven Presidents of the Seventies: Henry Herriman, Jacob Gates, Abram H. Cannon, Seymour B. Young, C. D. Ejfeldsted, John Morgan and B. H. Roberts.

Wm. B. Preston as Presiding Bishop, with Robert T. Burton as his First, and John R. Winder as his Second Counselor.

Franklin D. Richards as Church Historian and General Church Recorder.

The Priesthood of the Sixth Ward officiated in the administration of the Sacrament.

The choir and congregation sang:

We thank Thee, O God, for a Prophet,
To guide us in these latter days;
We thank Thee for sending the Gospel,
To lighten our minds with its rays.

PRESIDENT WILFORD WOODRUFF

then addressed the congregation. He was listened to with deep attention, and bore a powerful testimony to the truth of the Gospel. His remarks will shortly be published in the DESERET WEEKLY.

APOSTLE LORENZO SNOW

read from Matthew, chapter 13, verses 44 to 49. He said he was aware that he would be unable to make all of the vast congregation hear, but would endeavor to speak as distinctly as possible. The Lord has said, Let men come unto me and I will show them their weaknesses. I dare say the experience of many Elders is in conformity to this saying. It is impossible to accomplish our duties as Saints unless we have the guidance of the Holy Ghost. I am sure I would not have started out if the

Lord had not given me an assurance that He would bear me up. There has been today a marvelous exhibition of union so far as formality is concerned. There has also been something beyond this; there has been a Spirit in the hearts of those who have voted, to prompt them to this union. How many there are who are not united in supporting the Priesthood of God is not for me to say, but when we do right we are united in upholding those called by our votes to fill offices in the Church.

We say that we have no reason to feel proud when we are selected to fill responsible positions. We have learned the obstacles that we have to surmount when we are called to act in the name of the Lord. I know my feeling when I was unexpectedly called to be an Apostle. I did desire an office once, and that was to be an Elder. It was upon the Prophet's invitation, and I desired it because my soul was filled with the Holy Ghost, and had manifested to me that there was a God who had restored the everlasting Gospel. It was also revealed to me that Jesus was the Son of God. These things were revealed to me by the Lord, and I received a most perfect knowledge of their truth. This knowledge is still clear to my mind. There has never, during the trying times I have passed through, been a time when a shadow of doubt has come to me.

There are sacrifices connected with being called to the Priesthood, and the higher we are called, the greater the sacrifice that will be required of us. This Priesthood cost the Son of God his life, which He gave freely; and you and I will have to learn to make sacrifices freely in order to carry out the purposes of God. The Lord has blessed certain individuals, and selected them, not because they were better than many around them, but perhaps they had more faith than others, and they were called to go to prison. This was done to try them, and they were required to make sacrifices that others with less faith could not make. When they have shown that they were worthy, they have been blessed. We may have an opportunity to follow their example, perhaps not in the same manner, but in some of the numerous ways that we are called upon to make sacrifices in for the cause of truth.

We have voted to sustain the Church authorities, and it is our duty to uphold them in all our actions. The voice of slander or complaint should not be heard among us.

We have found the treasure spoken of in that which I have read from the Bible. I know it is of great value. I have made sacrifices, but they are unworthy in comparison to the blessings for which I am seeking. Are we willing to sacrifice all that we have in order to obtain the glories of the Kingdom of God? We made covenant with our Father at the waters of baptism that we would do this; that we would devote our time and talents in following the dictates of the Holy Spirit. Not even our wives and our children

would stand in the way. When we were called on missions, we left all to proclaim the principles of the Gospel. We would not withhold anything that we possessed, but would devote all to the cause of God. When I was called to be an Apostle, I covenanted with the Lord that I would not even withhold my life if called upon to lay it down in the cause of truth.

The first time I saw the Prophet Joseph was when I was a boy. He was talking to a small congregation. He told them of the visits of the angel to him. He was not then a great preacher, but afterwards became a powerful speaker. The people loved to hear him, because he was full of revelation. He had received authority to ordain men to the Priesthood, and according to the promise of the Lord, those who accepted the principles he taught received from the Lord a testimony of their truth. The Latter-day Saints are today witnesses that this testimony followed the administration of the Elders.

I feel that at this Conference we have renewed our determination to keep the commands of God; and I pray that He will give us strength to go forth and manifest increased diligence in keeping His commandments, that we may be saved in our Father's kingdom.

The choir sang:

O Father, whose almighty power.

Prayer by Elder John Nicholson.

Monday Morning.

Apostle Francis M. Lyman, who was released from the penitentiary at six o'clock this morning, after serving a term for unlawful exaltation, was on the stand.

The choir sang:

Great is the Lord! 'tis good to praise
His high and holy name;
Well may the Saints in latter-days
His wondrous love proclaim!

Prayer was offered by Elder Jacob Gates.

Singing:

Come, thou glorious day of promise,
Come and spread thy cheerful ray,
When the sheep of Israel
Shall no longer go astray.

APOSTLE FRANKLIN D. RICHARDS

addressed the Conference, the following being the substance of his remarks: It is a great blessing which but few of us fully realize, that we are permitted to associate together in the holy faith. It is different to what it was when the Church was in its infancy. The Saints are now more fully taught, as the doctrines were not fully revealed at first. We should dismiss the cares of the world and concentrate our desires and faith on what is before us on the truth that there is a great influence and means to bring forth that which is needed for the instruction of the people. What is said may not necessarily be new, but it will be profitable whether new or old. As it is physically, the simplest food is often the most desirable, so with spiritual instruction. It is needful that we should adapt to our