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Secret of a Fair Face

An Item of Interest to Every Lady who
Desires to be More Beautiful
than she now is.

Unfortunately not one woman in a hundred,
subjected to the action of an American climate,
possesses that beautiful complexion of red
roses and white lilies which is the mark of
beauty.

What nature has thus denied, art must
supply to the full.

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SOUTHERN STATES CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Southern States
Conference, held in Haywood Valley,
North Georgia, August 9, 10,
11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1878.

First day, 10 a. m.

Elders present from Utah, Elder
J. Morgan, president of the Southern
States Conference, and Parley P. Pratt, Tenn.;
David Williams, Andrew S. Johnson,
and Joseph Standing, Georgia.

Local Elders, Thos. H. Barbour,
Wm. C. K. Gilgus, J. B. Barbour,
Gabriel Barbour, and Joseph
Horne.

President Morgan, after a few
opening remarks, explained the
object of the conference, and
was wanted to meet with the
preaching officers of the several
branches, before separating, as he
had instructions of importance to
lay before them. Also thought it
would be a good idea to organize a
Relief Society before our adjournment,
as it was something new among
the churches, and would be very
valuable to the sisters here in the
southern country.

Elder Andrew S. Johnson was
appointed clerk of the conference,
and Elder Joseph Standing was
appointed secretary.

The first subject was the
greatness and magnitude of
the work of God in the last days,
and the importance of the saints
being united in the work of the
gospel, they must live for
themselves and show by their faithful-
ness, in attending to their duties,
that they have the work at heart.
Impressed upon their minds the
necessity and importance of prayer
being attended to in the right
season, both family and secret.

Elder Joseph Standing bore testi-
mony to the truth of Elder Wil-
liams' remarks, said that we can-
not wait in the past, but must
work in the present, and continue
revelation from God, and the divine
guidance of his spirit. He dwelt
upon the necessity of continued
obedience to gospel principles, that
the spirit of revelation might con-
stantly attend us.

2:30 p. m.

Elder P. P. Pratt addressed the
sisters upon their every day duties,
showing the necessity of the Church
of Christ having the same organiza-
tion and order that existed in the
primitive Christian Church, for the
work of the ministry and perfecting
of the saints. That the people
of God have a warfare to wage
against the evil one, which will
continue until Satan is bound.

Elder A. S. Johnson spoke
upon the unity of the saints, and
enlarged upon the personal respon-
sibility of all mankind in religious
questions. Insisted upon the
saints taking hold in secret, and
living up to the requirements of
the gospel, then they could claim
the promised blessings.

7:30 p. m.

Elder E. Stevenson delivered a
powerful discourse on the fulfill-
ment of prophecy and the gather-
ing of the saints in the last days,
also of the return of the Jews to
rebuild Jerusalem at an early day.
Showed the plainness of the gospel
of Christ, and expounded the prom-
ises and blessings of the same.

Second day, 10 a. m.

Elder P. P. Pratt addressed the
conference upon the building up of
Zion in the last days. Instructed the
saints to make an effort to emigrate
the coming fall and be one with
the saints in Utah.

President Morgan reviewed the
different dispensations when the
priesthood of God had been upon
the earth. Showed the growth
and maturity of the Church of
Latter-day Saints, and how the
wicked and ungodly had tried to
destroy the work of God, but have
purpose, although they had had
power to drive the Church into the
Rocky Mountains in fulfillment of
the prophecy, "I will build my
temple, and the Lord will dwell
with us, to follow the preaching of
the gospel. He would all live
as we do, that we could enjoy the
blessings and company of the sanc-
tified ones in the kingdom of God.

2:30 p. m.

Elder David Williams showed
the goodness of God in bringing
forth the gospel in this day, which
we as sinners can receive, and be
baptized, and obtain a remission of
our sins, and receive all the prom-
ised blessings resulting from abidi-
ng in his love.

Elder J. B. Barbour instructed the
saints to be diligent in searching
after the principles of the gospel of
eternal life, all of which should
be dear to us as Latter-day Saints.

Elder Joseph Standing spoke of
the pre-existence of man, and our
relationship to God and our fellow-
men; we should bear in mind the
covenants we have made, and live
up to the requirements of the
gospel, made at our hands by the
Lord.

7:30 p. m.

President Morgan stated that he
would proceed to organize a Relief
Society for the benefit of the sisters
in the Southern States mission.
They could be a great help to the
Elders in spreading the gospel, as
they could do by writing to their
friends, distributing tracts and dis-
seminating the principles of truth
among their associates and friends.
All were invited to join who wish-
ed to do so.

Sister Victoria Fawcett was unani-
mously sustained as president,
Sister Anna Lawrence and Emme-
line Fawcett, her counselors.

Joseph Manning, secretary, all of
whom were elected for six months.

Elder E. Stevenson took up the
subject of the great gathering of the
last days, and the return of the
tribes from the north country, and
the gathering of all the honest in
heart in this dispensation, which is
the fulness of times; the day of
the Lord will come, and the world
will be in vain, for instead of
peace, war will be poured out
upon all nations and people who
do not accept the gospel of Christ
and gather to Zion for deliverance.

Third day, 10 a. m.

Elder E. Stevenson delivered a
striking address on the pre-existence
of spirits, and our relationship to
God. Showed how the world
might come to know the truth of
the gospel, by obedience to its or-
dinances.

President J. Morgan presented the
general authorities of the Church,
who were unanimously sustained.

Elder J. Morgan was sustained

as President of the Southern States

Mission; Elder P. P. Pratt, Presid-
ing Elder of the Tennessee confer-
ence; Elder R. Rogers, Presiding
Elder of the Mississippi conference;
Elder W. E. Barrett, Presiding
Elder of the Virginia conference;
Elder David Williams, Presiding
Elder of the Georgia conference;
and Elder A. S. Johnson, Presiding
Elder of the Alabama conference.

Elder A. S. Johnson was released
to return to his home, and Elder
Edward Stevenson was released to
return to his home.

Elder Thomas A. Lawrence was
presented and sustained as
Presiding Elder of Haywood Valley
Branch, and Elder John J.
Barbour, and Gabriel Barbour, his
counselors.

President Morgan then proceed-
ed to reading the Minutes of their
previous meeting, and the same were
read and approved by the mem-
bers and members of the church in
their faith and prayers, and to be
careful to live near to the Lord.

7:30 p. m.

President J. Morgan continued the
subject of the gathering of the
saints in the last days, and read
the testimonies of the witnesses of
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