

who were so closely associated in the toils and travels of this life, are living and acting together in that better world where Joseph and Hyrum, and Brigham and John, with the Apostles and Elders and faithful Saints of the latter-days, are dwelling in the sunshine of their great Redeemer, and devoid of care and weariness and want and woe, are laboring still in the great cause of human advancement and redemption? It will be but a little while before their fellow-pioneers, who are still with us, will cross over the mysterious divide and meet with them where flows the bright river of God.

There is a day which is nigh at hand and is called the day of the Lord; a day measured not after the dial of men or the rotations of this earth, but after celestial time, comprehending a thousand of our years. In that day all things will be restored; in that day the curse will be removed from this planet; in that day the dead will be brought forth to live again, not in mortality, but in immortality. In the morning of that day of the Lord, Jesus Christ, who is the Sun of Righteousness, will appear in His glory. He is the resurrection and the life. Those who are His at His coming will be quickened by the celestial glory, and come forth out of their graves; their spirits and bodies will be reunited, not one essential particle will be lost, and they will inherit eternal life and be crowned heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ. We have no doubt in our hearts that the faithful men and women whose presence we miss today, and who are rejoicing in the spirit world with the good and true of the past and the present, will be numbered among those who will be brought forth in the first resurrection, be counted among those who are blessed and holy, and be made kings and priests unto God and His Christ.

Let us continue to bear in honorable remembrance the Pioneers who are living. Time will not keep them here very long. They, like their brethren and sisters who have departed, are "wanted on the other side." When they pass over there all the weariness of age, all the ailments of the flesh, all the temptations that are possible in mortality, will be left behind. Now they are bending under the weight of these things. Let us be patient with them and lend them a helping hand as they pass down the hill of life. Let us smooth the path of their feet, that their last steps may be pleasant.

We are all filled with gratitude to our Heavenly Father that He has spared His servant Wilford Woodruff, the chief of the Pioneers yet remaining, to honor us with his presence during the festivities of the Pioneer Jubilee. May he continue in the body as long as we desire. May the spirit of his high and holy calling as Prophet, Seer and Revelator and President of the Church of Christ in all the world abundantly rest upon him, enliven his mind, invigorate his body, and fill his soul with peace and joy. And may the Lord bless and support and comfort every actual Pioneer who yet remains in our midst. May they enjoy everything that will conduce to their happiness in time, and their full salvation and exaltation with the blessed in eternity.

And now, may the peace and blessing of Almighty God be upon all Israel. May they emulate the courage, the perseverance, the endurance and the fidelity of the pioneers of '47, that these mountain valleys, made sacred by their efforts under the guidance of the Almighty, may teem with a population devoted to God and the welfare of humanity, to righteousness and holiness and the great work which it is their special mission to perform; that they may be found worthy to associate with the Pioneers in the Paradise of God, in the resurrection of the just, and in the celestial mansions, which are prepared for those who are fit to abide in the presence of God and the Lamb forever, Amen.

Elder Horace S. Euelgen sang in a feeling manner the solo, The Holy City.

Elder Brigham Young of the Council of Apostles next addressed the congregation. He referred to the life and labors of Joseph Smith and said that the founding of this great commonwealth was but the aftermath of that which the Prophet Joseph foresaw. Not only President Young and the Pioneers had been fulfillers of prophecy, but all the Latter-day Saints had lent a helping hand in the establishment and consummation of God's purposes. The work of the Lord was onward and upward and the way was being opened up for greater events than had ever taken place. God was working by His spirit through the nations of the earth. He had planned His work and it had to be carried out even to the very letter. Monuments, not only of granite and stone, were being reared by the Latter-day Saints; they were attempting to so conduct their lives that they might gain an eternal salvation in the Father's kingdom. These monuments were destined to overcome so gloriously conspicuous in the earth that nations from afar would view them and be led to confess that God was working among His people. The speaker closed by invoking God's blessings upon all who had worked for the success of the Pioneer Jubilee, as well as those who had been permitted to view and look upon it with satisfaction.

Elder Francis M. Lyman of the Council of the Apostles next spoke. At this particular time, said he, he felt glad to be privileged to mingle his voice with those of his brethren. All the Latter-day Saints and some outside of the Church, had been instruments in the hands of God in bringing about the present condition of affairs in this our prosperous commonwealth. While the Pioneers were being honored, there was another to whom all honor was due. God had brought about the conditions that at present existed and to Him homage should be paid for His blessing unto the people. Utah was peculiarly unlike her sister states of the American Union, and would perhaps forever remain so, because in it dwelt a people who were assisting in the establishment of God's kingdom and had yielded obedience to His dictates and commandments. This commonwealth was destined to grow and flourish and its people and their acts would be magnified unto all the nations of the earth. The progress of the Saints was such that fifty years hence the conditions now existing

would be materially changed and God's work would have attained greater strength and power in the earth. The Saints were friends of the people. They sought to do right to all men for their religion so taught them, and God was giving them leeway in the earth for the accomplishment of His purposes.

The choir and congregation sang:

Come, come ye Saints,
No toil nor labor fear.

Benediction was pronounced by Elder Heber J. Grant.

THE PRATT FAMILY.

On Wednesday, July 21, 1897, at 2:30 p. m. at the Fourteenth ward assembly hall, this city, about 300 persons—probably the largest gathering of the Pratt family, their relatives and friends, that had ever gotten together in this region—assembled in commemoration of their respected sire—those dominant Pioneers, the late Apostles Parley P. and Orson Pratt, who, in 1847, just fifty years ago, entered this valley, Orson Pratt being the very first man of that memorable band who entered July 22, 1847, preceding one day (July 21st) in advance of the main company led by Brigham Young—Parley P. Pratt and family coming in later in the season of that year.

From 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. was spent in the registering of the names and addresses of those present, and introductions and general sociability, and at 3:30 the assembly was called to order, when the following program under the management of Captain F. M. Bishop was rendered.

Opening prayer by Pioneer Elder Geo. B. Wallace.

Song by Miss Cora M. Pratt.

Address of welcome by Parley P. Pratt read by Nephi Pratt.

Recitation by Miss Ruth Eldredge.

Solo by Mrs. Viola Pratt Gillett.

Tenor solo by Mr. Fred O. Graham.

Historical address, "Flag of Liberty," by Nephi Pratt.

Room in beautiful ornamental scroll work composed and written for the occasion by Valton M. Pratt, read by Miss Ruth Eldredge.

Song by Miss Hermione P. Tyler.

Violin solo by Prof. Willard E. Welch.

Pioneer Jubilee Address by Moroni W. Pratt.

Baritone solo by Ernest L. Pratt.

Reading, "My Fiftieth Year," Parley P. Pratt, and "Response," John Taylor, by Capt. F. M. Bishop.

Remarks by "Aunt" Zina D. H. Young and Pioneer George Whitaker.

Permanent organization.

Singing "Auld Langsine" by assembly.

Benediction by Elder A. M. Musser.

There was also, decorated and striking life-size portraits of the two late Apostles, Parley P. and Orson Pratt, painted for the occasion by the artist Lorus Pratt, son of the latter named Apostle, hung upon the walls immediately over the platform; also a portrait of Charles Pratt, the first Earl of Camden, who distinguished himself after becoming one of the most eminent and successful leaders at the bar. He became a member of Parliament and was made his majesty's attorney general, and in 1761 he was constituted chief justice of the court of common pleas. On July 16, 1765, he was advanced to the dignity of a peer of Great Britain by the style and title of Lord Camden, baron of Camden, in the county of Kent, and on July 30, 1766, his majesty delivered the great seal to his lordship as lord high chancellor of Great Britain.

A very interesting feature of the