

or presiding; inspirational sentiment and loving works, are the elements of progress, increase, development and education. "Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we should be, but we know that when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, and we shall see Him as He is." That is the test, the opportunity of contrast, the assurance of the Spirit, the solution of the problem, the fulfillment of the promise. So mote it be!

INDIANA CONFERENCE.

PULLY'S MILLS, Williamson Co., Ill., Oct. 8, 1894.—The semi-annual conference of the Indiana conference of the Northern States mission was held here September 29th and 30th and October 1, 2, 3 and 4. For some time it had been anticipated, and as usual, was a time of rejoicing, and as such will linger sweetly in memory.

The weather, considering the season of the year, was delightful. On September 27th the Elders began coming in from their fields of labor, where they had been assiduously engaged in warning the people and teaching them the great plan of redemption. On the evening of September 28th twelve Elders had gathered together, including Elders David F. Stout, president of the mission, and Chilion L. Miller, just arrived from Utah. Elders Hyrum Brimhall and Daniel S. Robbins were unavoidably absent and their company was missed greatly by the Elders.

Brother Liles E. M. Hewlin had built a large and comfortable building in which to hold the conference, and this kindness was very much appreciated by all. Several of the Saints had gathered from the surrounding counties and were all heartily received by Sister John Adams, Brother and Sister Liles E. M. Hewlin, Brother and Sister Geo. Adams and Brother James Hettick, who did all in their power to make the Elders and Saints comfortable and happy.

Conference began Saturday morning, September 29th, at 10:30 o'clock. There were present on the stand Elders David F. Stout, Benjamin F. Peel, President of the conference, and traveling Elders W. A. Garrett, W. O. Bentley, I. E. Bradshaw, T. J. Allen, B. H. Telford, H. H. Rogers, C. S. Greene, J. R. Nilson, C. L. Miller and D. R. Roberts. Ten general meetings were held and also five Priesthood meetings. The general meetings were largely attended by attentive and appreciative audiences. The Spirit of the Lord was manifest in power. The principles of eternal salvation were explained in simplicity, plainness and power. The restoration was dwelt upon considerably and the cause of truth was ably upheld. The Priesthood meetings were very interesting also; the Elders reported their respective fields in a very prosperous condition. A very good work was being done excepting in one field. Many valuable instructions were given by Elder D. F. Stout which will be of very great assistance in missionary work. An abundance of the Spirit of the Lord accompanied the Elders and all felt greatly blessed in their gathering. The general authorities of the Church were unanimously sustained in their respective positions, also Elder D. F. Stout

as President of the mission, Elder W. O. Bentley as President of the conference, Elder Hyrum Brimhall as clerk and Elder D. R. Roberts as assistant clerk.

The Elders were appointed to labor during the next six months as follows:

Elders W. O. Bentley and David R. Roberts, in Williamson, Johnson, Union and Jackson counties, with P. O. address Pully's Mills, Williamson county, Illinois.

Elders T. J. Allen and B. H. Telford in Hamilton, Franklin and Gallatin counties, Illinois, with P. O. address Walpole, Hamilton county, Illinois.

Elders N. N. Rogers and C. S. Greene in Crawford, Harrison, Perry and Dubois counties, Indiana, with P. O. address Taswell, Crawford county, Indiana.

Elders J. R. Nilson and C. S. Miller in the western part of Greene, Knox, Davis and Martin counties, Indiana, with P. O. address Bloomfield Greene county Indiana.

Elders W. A. Garrett and D. S. Robbins in the eastern part of Greene, Lawrence, Monroe and Owen counties, Indiana, with P. O. address Robison, Greene county, Indiana.

Elders H. Brimhall and J. E. Bradshaw in Steuben and DeKalk counties, Indiana, and Putnam county, Ohio, with P. O. address Columbus Grove, Putnam county, Ohio.

The field is large and the harvesters are few. All persons who may have relatives or friends in any of these states or Michigan are invited to correspond with the Elders, as much good may be done in this way in spreading the knowledge of the Lord.

On Tuesday, the 3rd inst., three persons went down into the waters of baptism and were confirmed as members of the Church.

On the morning of the 5th inst., with tearful eyes and tremulous voice, the Elders bade each other "good-bye" and "God bless you" and departed for their respective fields in search of the honest-hearted.

DAVID R. ROBERTS.
Assistant Clerk.

ALONG THE SNAKE RIVER.

MARKET LAKE, Idaho, Oct. 10.—In vain does the new comer scan the landscape for a lake in this neighborhood, and what it takes its name from, if known at all, is a closely guarded secret. Opposite the place the majestic (in all things but name) Snake river loses some of its majesty by reason of its bed being more nearly horizontal and thus checking the lively flow prevailing elsewhere; the stream is spread out somewhat and this together with the semi-stagnant aspect of the water may be the origin of the name. This is only one of my guesses, however, which experience hath shown many a time are not infallible; but as it is not a matter of great concern, we might as well let it rest at that. The tower, or station rather, is not densely populated; there are not as many inhabitants even when they are all at home as you can see any afternoon, when the weather is fine, on the sidewalk fronting one block of your Main street; and yet it has one of the largest and best appointed stores and hotels in the country. Like many other places hereabout, it is mutely

eloquent of the extent to which the country is being settled up and cultivated, for of course local patronage of any line of business in such cases amounts to a bagatelle; but the establishments spoken of and others do a good business and an altogether steady one. The place is something of a rival to Idaho Falls, sixteen miles further south, in the matter of receiving and distributing passengers, mails, expressage and freight for the surrounding country. Everything and everybody are looking ahead, not backward.

The smoke of the political battle has not lifted much if at all, while the din of the conflict is incessant. Last night Col. Miller of Salt Lake (who is making a tour of Fremont county) and Mr. Bagley of Montpelier held forth at Rexburg to a good-sized audience, presenting the Republican side of the case. The night before a large meeting at Salem in the interest of Democracy was addressed by Governor Stevenson, Hon. James H. Hawley and S. A. Kenner; the two former are at Rexburg tonight, while the latter joins Hon. R. P. Quarles at Egin. On Saturday the Populists have an inning at Rexburg, Mr. Gunn, their candidate for Congress, being the speaker. There are no signs in big letters or otherwise upon the walls telling us how things are going on, so that each person in forming an estimate is more or less governed by personal preferences if not prejudices.

Democrats, Republicans and Populists are decidedly on the alert, and whichever or whoever may prove the winner will assuredly realize that there has been a fight in which the honors were not all on one side, even if the victory was.

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THOSE ONIONS.

PLAIN CITY, Oct. 12, 1894.

I notice in your issue of October 9th reference made to some onions I sent to your office. With regard to the weight of said onions you are correct. But as regards the amount per acre there is a great mistake, and I wish to correct it for the benefit of the readers of the NEWS. The amount of land that I sowed to onions is as follows: Eighteen rods long and twenty-seven feet wide; and the yield from said piece of ground was 110 sacks, weighing a little over 11,000 pounds. Please insert this and oblige.

Yours respectfully,

A. MAW.

Albert Isaacs, who keeps a clothing store on Kearney street, San Francisco, was swindled out of \$20 on Saturday night on a "raised" greenback. He sold a young stranger a hat for \$2 and received what appeared to be a \$20 bill. He gave the purchaser \$18 in change. A little later Isaacs discovered that he had been swindled. A "\$20" had been neatly cut from a confederate bill and pasted over the \$1 mark of a \$1 greenback. On the reverse side of the bill the \$1 had been changed to a \$20 by the use of a colored pencil. The matter was reported to the police and turned over to a secret service agent, as it is believed that someone is making a business of passing "raised" money.