

leased to return home on April 19, has been delayed, and will returned with the above named Elders on May 22.

Wm. H. Scott, Jr, who has been laboring as a traveling Elder in the Leeds conference, has been honorably released to return home on May 8, on account of the serious illness of his wife.

Elder Charles H. Skidmore has been appointed to preside over the Sheffield conference.

Elders Hyrum Hand and Charles Wesson have been released from laboring in the Nottingham conference and appointed to labor in the Netherlands mission.

Elder Henry Hughes has been released from laboring in the Manchester conference and appointed to the Welsh conference.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.

May 18, 1897.

Throughout the State the weather during the past week has been very favorable to agricultural interests, although a little too dry in some localities for germination of seeds and growth of vegetation. The days were warm, dry and sunny, and the nights moderately cool, with light frosts in a few districts on the 11th and 12th. Thunder showers occurred on Saturday in Beaver, Cache, Iron, Utah, Carbon, Salt Lake, Emery, Piute and Sanpete counties, and did a great deal of good in the way of sprouting grain and advancing the growth of crops. In portions of Millard, Tooele, Weber, Rich, Boxelder and Grand counties, the soil is very dry and rain is needed badly to bring up the late planted grain. In portions of Rich county the fall wheat is looking poorly on account of the prevailing dryness, and in other sections it will have to be watered if rain does not come soon. The lucern is fast recovering from the effects of the frost of the previous week, and is everywhere reported in excellent condition and making rapid growth. Late reports indicate that the fruit crop was not damaged to any great extent by the recent cold snap, and the outlook is very bright for a prosperous fruit season. Corn and potato planting is progressing rapidly in the central and northern sections of the State; in the southern portion of the State early potatoes are in bloom, and in the vicinity of Moab, Grand county, strawberries are ripe. The first cutting of lucern has commenced in Washington county.

BEAVER COUNTY.

Minersville—Good prospects for fruit; lucern twelve to fourteen inches high; hard rain Saturday afternoon.

Greenville—Nice growing weather; crops growing fast; grain and gardens looking well.

BOXELDER COUNTY.

Honeyville—Crops growing nicely; lucern and other crops need rain.

Garland—Early spring grain growing nicely; crops need rain.

CACHE COUNTY.

Mendon—Grass and grain crops looking well; fruit trees blooming nicely; nice shower on 14th; lucern doing well; streams falling a little.

Newton—Grain all in; rain needed

to germinate seeds; lucern backward; a few potatoes planted.

CARBON COUNTY.

Price—Wheat up; oats not all in yet; corn and potatoes being planted; irrigation of crops commenced.

Wellington—Crops growing fast; lucern nearly ready to cut.

EMERY COUNTY.

Green River—Lucern coming in blossom; farmers preparing to harvest lucern; grain commenced to stool; fruit crop excellent; apricots three-fourths of an inch in diameter.

Lawrence—Everything looks promising; no damage from recent frost.

Ferron—Fruit trees loaded with bloom; trees nearly in full leaf; everything of the vegetable kind is looking lovely.

Coyote—Seeding about finished; lucern recovering from effects of recent freeze; crops fine and growing nicely; currant bushes in bloom.

GRAND COUNTY.

Riohardson—Strawberries ripe; grain doing well; big hay crop in sight.

Westwater—Rain needed; vegetation not irrigated is drying up; rivers high and doing some damage.

IRON COUNTY.

Parowan—Grain looking well; lucern six to eight inches high; garden products growing fast; apple trees in full bloom; peaches, plums and apricots setting; no damage from recent frost; creek the highest in fifteen years.

KANE COUNTY.

Kanab—Kanab has the best prospects this year it has had for many years. More grain; lucern, corn and fruit than ever before since the settlement of the place.

MILLARD COUNTY.

Fillmore—We have had no precipitation for nearly a month, but plenty of irrigation water; lucern looks fine.

Hinckley—Seeding and irrigation goes on without cessation.

Holden—Good prospects for all kinds of crops; hard to control our irrigating water.

MORGAN COUNTY.

Morgan—Frost on 11th, 12th, 13th; damaged lucern and gardens; rain needed.

Peterson—Some early potatoes are being planted; grain about all sown; land getting dry; about 4,000 squirrels shot in this vicinity by the boys and girls.

PIUTE COUNTY.

Circleville—Weather favorable for small grain and garden crops. Small grain all in and some up; ground getting dry; river has fallen some ten inches.

Kington—All crops looking fine; lucern one foot high; plum and apple trees in full bloom; corn planting going on.

RICH COUNTY.

Meadowville—Farmers all through sowing grain; winter wheat looking bad; spring grain doing well; oats are showing up and grass in making rapid growth.

SALT LAKE COUNTY.

Riverton—Crop conditions are not favorable for a prolific harvest, if not all the late grain, especially oats will

have to be watered before seeds will germinate.

Miller—Everything growing nicely; lucern crop recovering from the effects of late frosts; potato planting is being pushed. Fruit buds not seriously damaged by recent frosts.

SAN JUAN COUNTY.

Monticello—Crops progressing; wheat looking well; seedling oats and planting potatoes in progress.

SANPETE COUNTY.

Spring City—All crops growing nicely; fruit blossoms looking excellent and prospects are in favor of a prosperous season.

Glenwood—Week fine for crops and gardens; early rose potatoes showing above ground; bees busy on fruit trees; lucern growing fine and promises a large crop; fall wheat is very uncertain in the mean—some places very good, some very poor.

SUMMIT COUNTY.

Rockport—Fine growing weather; alfalfa has not recovered from the damage by last week's frost.

Coalville—A little frost nearly every night but no damage; apple and plum trees blooming; vegetation just beginning to recover from the effects of last week's frost.

TOOELE COUNTY.

Tooele—Another hot week; farmers have started to water young grain, a poor plan, but the only show to get the grain to start; lucern growing well; corn and potato planting in progress, but if we get no rain the land is too dry to place the seed.

Center—Week dry and hot; farmers commenced to irrigate crops.

UTAH COUNTY.

White Rocks—Week exceptionally favorable for all kinds of farm work and growth of vegetation. Most all of the farmers are watering their grain for the first time. Rivers and creeks bank full; but no damage so far.

Ashley—Creeks high yet; grains doing well; vegetation of crops commenced.

UTAH COUNTY.

Pleasant Grove—Grain growing nicely; corn and potatoes being planted; apricots all the size of average nutmeg; lucern is about a foot high; high water is doing some damage; prospect for fruit good; light shower Saturday.

Mapleton—Irrigation commenced and spraying will begin next week; grain in fine condition; prospects berries good; no grasshopper.

American Fork—Warm days and cool nights; hard frost forepart of week but no damage was done; vegetation is looking well; the apple crop will be short compared with last year.

WAYNE COUNTY.]

Crops all in; farmers happy; fruit trees in bloom; lucern about seven inches high.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Taquerville—Crops growing nicely where not injured by heavy north winds of the 8th; lucern blooming; also potatoes; cane planting in progress.

St. George—Fine growing weather; early potatoes in blossom; some lucern