

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Testimony of the Three Witnesses to the Book of Mormon.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Sunday Feb. 12, 1888, commencing at 2 o'clock p. m., President Angus M. Cannon presiding.

The choir and congregation sang: The Spirit of God like a fire is burning, The latter-day glory begins to come forth. Prayer by Elder H. P. Richards.

The choir sang: Behold the great Redeemer died, A broken law to satisfy.

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

APOSTLE JOHN HENRY SMITH addressed the congregation. He read from Hebrews, vi: 4-6:

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

If they shall fall away, seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

Elder Smith said he had been led to reflect seriously recently upon these words he had read from the writings of St. Paul, and upon the condition of those there referred to. His mind had been led in this direction from recently hearing of the death of the last of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon, and had caused him to reflect upon the experiences of those men to whom had been given the privilege of gazing upon the sacred records that have come to the people as the Book of Mormon. These witnesses were possessed of information such as few men receive; and of privileges that few men enjoy; chosen of God as special witnesses for the purpose; permitted to gaze on the records as they were when originally secreted; they had the privilege of hearing the voice of heavenly beings, and communing with those who had gone before to the eternal worlds. The thought of all this caused the speaker to reflect on the fate of those who denied the truth, as spoken of by Paul. The human family are liable to form and cling to opinions that are not always proper, and sometimes put a too limited construction on the language of those who spoke by the Holy Ghost. Through this they imagine that many are under the condemnation spoken of when they really are not; they may be in a position of doubt, never having fully comprehended the import of the obligations they have taken upon themselves, yet they are in a far different position to those who fully realized the importance of the step they were taking.

There are probably many who have fallen away, who have never received the testimony of the truth, because their conduct was not such as to entitle them to that testimony; they may have lacked that faith necessary to receive those witnesses and to establish them on the rock of truth, although their reason had been convinced; they may have received the right to the blessings of the Holy Ghost, and yet never have seen or heard the gifts of that Spirit, and known the divinity of the source; or not have received the dreams and the visions that were characteristic of the work of God; they have received of the ordinances, but have not heard the voice of revelation. Going on in this careless way something has come to turn them aside; they remain aloof for a number of years, possessed of no animus toward their former friends, and are even kind and considerate to them. By and by there comes a change in their position; they are awakened from their stupor, and the Spirit of the Lord begins to work upon them, and they start out anew to receive the witness that seemingly had been denied them. Finally through the faith they manifest they receive the testimony of the Holy Ghost. Others may have been severed from the Church for a failure to comply with requirements made of them, yet the spirit of which they partook remained with them, in a degree, and they do not become embittered against the truth. It cannot be said that these come fully under the conditions stated by Paul, for experience has shown that it is not impossible for them to repent and turn again to the truth.

There are others who have received the heavenly visions, who have turned aside and have found themselves shorn of the Holy Spirit, and become enemies to that faith which was formerly dearer than their lives, and which they subsequently sought to overthrow. For these the Father holds in His own hands a righteous judgment. In considering this matter there is the example and fate of him who betrayed his Master; a chosen one whose heart became so embittered that for a few pence he sold his Master's life, and showed himself at heart a murderer. In this age there are men who have denounced the Gospel, yet who have humbly turned to make amends for the wrongs of which they were guilty; but there are others who, like Judas, go to their deaths in the bonds of bitterness, rejoicing in the sufferings of those whom they once loved, and in the warfare against truth.

Reflection on the position in which the three witnesses of the Book

of Mormon placed themselves causes wonderment as to how our Father will deal with them. His voice had declared to them precious things, and he gave to them great privileges. Amidst the hatred of their fellowmen they wandered from the path in which they started to move. They remained away from the work of God, and became personally enraged against the Prophet, who was the first witness, and whom they looked upon as not giving sufficient honor unto them. They turned and became silent in proclaiming the Gospel, and bedged up the way of the Prophet as far as they could. Yet they turned not aside from their witness to the Book of Mormon, and stood as monuments of truth, faithful unto death to that testimony. There seemed a purpose in the withdrawal of these men personally from the association of the Church, and in their becoming silent in the labor of spreading the Gospel. That purpose was to leave the human family without excuse, and destroy all ground for the charge of collusion to deceive. These witnesses became alienated from and jealous of him who had received the confidence of the Saints; yet they maintained their testimony, whenever it was necessary, to the Book of Mormon.

When the Prophet sealed his testimony by the sacrifice of his own life, and the people started west, one of them desired to occupy a humble place among them. Returning to get his family to share the exile of the Saints, he died, bearing his testimony with his latest breath firm as a rock regarding his witness of the Book of Mormon and the renewal of the covenant of the Gospel. Thus did Oliver Cowdery end his days; returning to the fold from which he had turned for a season in coldness. The next witness, in the last days of his life, came among the Saints, broken in health, and nearing his mortal end, yet he bore the same testimony unflinchingly to the death; he clung to his breast the sacred record the divine origin of which had been made known to him by the Lord, and yielded up his life. Whenever he was spoken to on the subject, his reply would come in such a manner that his honesty, fidelity and faithfulness could not be doubted. He was a stranger to the Church for years, yet in that estrangement he was steadfast to his original testimony.

Last of the three was David Whitmer, who was esteemed by his acquaintances as a man of integrity and honor; in his last moments, he reasserted his testimony regarding the book. The only one of the special witnesses who stood aloof from the great Gospel work, and dying without the fold, yet in life and death he was faithful to his special testimony.

Will the role of the apostle apply to these men? Will they, in the midst of God's judgment, be banished from the door? There surely will be a special dispensation for such men. It surely was the purpose of God that they should go the road they had traveled, true to their testimony, firmly fixed as the earth itself, showing to the world that there was no deceit, and leaving all without excuse. God held them there, and required that their testimony should go forth as firm as the rock of ages. The remark of the apostle must be considered more broadly, than fixing its application to these men.

When a man is filled with hatred and becomes a murderer in his heart, then he is in the condition described by the apostle, and is fit only to be cast out.

The speaker was thankful that the Saints are not alone dependent on the testimony of these witnesses now dead. Instead of but a few witnesses to the Book of Mormon, they are now numbered by thousands.

Elder Smith knew the great work of the last days to be of God, and to be true, and that it would accomplish the mission He had designed for it.

May the Saints walk in the path of life eternal, that they may have the welcome plaudit "Well done, good and faithful servants, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

THE CHOIR SANG, "The kings of the earth have desired this day," solo by Brother Wm. H. Foster.

PRESIDENT ANGUS M. CANNON said he desired to bear his testimony to the truth of Brother Smith's remarks. When he was ten years of age, he had himself heard the testimony of Patriarch Hyrum Smith, one of the eight witnesses, to the divinity of the Book of Mormon; he had also heard the testimony of the Prophet Joseph, in Nauvoo. In the autumn of 1837, at the Kirtland Temple, Martin Harris bore testimony to him regarding the truth of the sacred record of the ancient inhabitants of America. On the seventh of last month, (Jan. 1888,) Brother Cannon called on David Whitmer, to hear his testimony. The old gentleman was then eighty-three years of age, and very feeble. He raised his hand and said: "My friend, if God ever uttered a truth, I tell the truth now." He then went on and told how he saw the glory of the Lord and heard the voice of the angel. His words were accompanied by the power of God. Brother Cannon closed his remarks by exhorting the Saints to show by their example their unflinching faith in God.

The choir sang the anthem,

How beautiful upon the mountains,

Sister M. C. Hull and Brother Moroni J. Thomas rendering the solos.

Benediction was offered by Elder Arthur Stayner.

## ORANGEVILLE.

Letter From the Pioneer Town of Emery County.

Editor Deseret News:

Orangeville is a small town in the western part of Emery County, at the mouth of Cottonwood Cañon, near a small river. There is any quantity of land and an abundance of water, which is already on the land. The inhabitants are engaged chiefly in agriculture, and raise wheat, oats, corn, etc., but the soil and climate seem to be better adapted to raising fruit and root crops. The apple, plum, peach, pear, cherry, and grape do remarkably well, and the largest sized potatoes, tomatoes, beets, cabbages, carrots, radishes, etc., are raised with little labor.

## THE CLIMATE IS MILD

and the winters are not long and cold—the present winter being the coldest known here. Stock winter out and do well. The health of the people is good so there is little need of any doctors. In the beginning of the winter the children were barking and whooping with what is known as the whooping cough, but it was not very severe and is all over with now.

The day school is in a flourishing condition. The scholars, numbering over eighty, are taking a great interest in their studies in school and considering the material they have to work with, are advancing as fast as can be expected. Therefore the teacher enjoys his labors and all visitors are exceedingly pleased to see the interest taken by the pupils.

The weather is delightful at present and by all appearances is likely to continue so for some time. This seems to suit the people for they are fond of good weather.

There is barely enough snow here to cover the ground, but the young folks have had their

## HORSES AND SLEIGHS

out trying to make good use of what there is, for it is not often they have that much to run their sleighs over. In addition to the amusements of dancing and sleighriding the young are busily engaged in getting up concerts, or rather entertainments, consisting of songs, recitations, dialogues, farces, etc. One of these was given on the evenings of January 11th and 12th, which was highly commendable and well attended, and it is hoped they will continue in so doing, for we all realize that it is much better for them to be thus employed than to be idling away their time during the long winter evenings.

There are two flourishing stores here which carry a medium sized stock of general merchandise and have a ready sale for the same. There is every probability of another store starting which will very likely be a co-operative institution and will be a benefit to the people at large.

There is any amount of fuel, both of wood and coal. The wood, which can be easily obtained, is about four or five miles from town, and the coal, which is of a first-class quality and easily obtained, is distant about seven or eight miles.

J. J. J.

## Cache County Cullings.

Hans Sorenson and J. H. Barker, of Newton, were arrested on Monday on the going charge, and were bound over to appear before the Commissioner at Logan.

It was rumored Saturday that there was a case of smallpox in the Fifth Ward of this city, but we are pleased to state that there is no truth in the report.

Charles A. Anderson, of Hyrum, was arrested yesterday by Deputy Wheatstone. He was brought to Logan and placed under bonds of \$1,000 to appear at Ogden on Friday.

At the trial of J. B. Coburn, of Wells, for selling liquor without a license, the defendant changed his plea from not guilty to guilty. He was fined \$32.50, including costs, and in default of payment was committed to jail.

Ole A. Jensen and Alired Atkinson of Clarkston, were arrested on Sunday and bound over to appear before Commissioner Goodwin. James Archibald of the same place was arrested on Monday, and was bound over to appear on Monday next.

A. D. Rogers, of Ogden, who has spent considerable of his time in Hyrum during the past two or three years, was arrested yesterday in Ogden, on a charge of unlawful cohabitation. A lady at Hyrum was arrested on the same day as a witness in this case.

We understand that during the raid at Lewiston, a young man in the employ of the Bishop there, was placed under arrest and compelled to drive the deputies around town. On leaving town, they released the boy. From what we can learn, the young man was somewhat abusive to the officers, which was the cause of his arrest.

Two small boys were arrested a day or two ago for stealing; one for appropriating beer bottles which did not belong to him, and the other for stealing cigarettes. One of them being an old offender, was committed to the county jail for five days, and the other, on making promises to do better, was discharged from custody.—*Utah Journal*, Feb. 8.

Foreign railway news shows that the Englishman takes nineteen railway trips a year, the Belgian eleven, the Frenchman and German five, and the Italian one.

In the House of Representatives of the National Congress, Hon. John T. Caine, Delegate from Utah, on February 6th, introduced the following: A bill providing for an additional justice for the Supreme Court of the Territory of Utah and for other purposes; which was read the first time, referred to the Committee on Territories and ordered to be printed. Also, a memorial of the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah asking for an amendment of the alien land act so as to exclude from its operations mineral lands in the Territories; referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Also a memorial from the same source as the one last mentioned, asking for the appointment of an additional associate justice for Utah; referred to the Committee on the Territories. So we learn from the *Congressional Record*.

It is the fellow who can't write who is bound to make his X mark in the world.

The school teachers of Cheinatti have hitherto been fined a quarter of a day's salary for being late. It is now proposed to change the fine to five cents for each minute of tardiness.

## A WOMAN'S DISCOVERY.

"Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this county. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She bought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus write W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Get a free trial bottle at A. C. Smith & Co.'s Drug Store. (2)

## The Verdict Unanimous.

W. D. Sult, Druggist, Bippus, Ind. testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Bellville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only half a dollar a bottle at A. C. Smith & Co.'s Drug Store. (2)

## BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. C. Smith & Co.

I procured one bottle of Ely's Cream Balm for my little girl who was suffering from Catarrh. The treatment was satisfactory and she has not complained since using the balm. I never saw anything heal as fast as her nose did and it gives such relief in breathing.

MRS. C. L. MEYER, Ritzville, Washington Ter.

I had catarrh for ten years, and in January bought a bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at D. M. Stockton's Pioneer Drug Store and have had but little trouble since. It is the best remedy I ever tried.—James L. Anderson, Salsum, Cal.

A slight cold, if neglected, often attacks the lungs. BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES give sure and immediate relief. Sold only in boxes. Price 25c cents.

But few articles have reached such a world-wide reputation as Angostura Bitters. For over 50 years they have been the acknowledged standard regulators of the digestive organs. Their success has incited imitations. Be sure you get the genuine article manufactured only by, Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

## REMEDY IN KIDNEY AFFECTION.

"My kidneys were so affected I have been compelled to get up as much as ten times in one night. I had pains in my side, back and left shoulder, and when down could hardly rise. I was unable to bend my body without pain. I tried Simon's Liver Regulator and my condition has improved so much that I hardly ever feel any of my old trouble."—W. JOHNSON, Express Agent, Macon, Ga.

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION:

One dark red OX, 4 or 5 years old, branded on left hip and a heart on left ribs, and upper lip in both ears.

If damage and costs on said animal be not paid within ten days from date of this notice, it will be sold to the highest cash bidder, at Chester estray pound, at 1 o'clock p. m., February 21st, 1888.

CHRISTEN CHRISTENSEN, Poundkeeper.

Chester, February, 11, 1889.

## ELY'S CATARRH

Cream Balm

Cleanses the Nasal Passages, Alleviates pain and Inflammation, Heals the Sores, Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell.

TRY the CURE

A particle is applied into each nostril and is agreeable. Price 50 cents at druggists; by mail, registered, 60 cts. ELY BROTHERS, 235 Greenwich St., New York.



**A SURE CURE FOR THE PILES.**—You need not suffer from this most distressing disease again in all your life. Ely's Catarrh acts as a poultice and lubricator, absorbs the tumors and allays the intense itching at once. No caustic, no acid, no pain. A. McGibbons Esq., 19 Poplar street, Allegheny, Pa., writes: "I had it long and bleeding piles so bad I could not sit, stand or walk without intense suffering. I doctored with many physicians, and tried all the (so called) cures that I ever heard of, in vain (paying out hundreds of dollars), until I used Ely's Catarrh Balm or Ointment. After the first application I enjoyed the best night's sleep I had for ten years, and two boxes have cured me completely." Wherever introduced Dr. Ely's Catarrh takes the lead, and has the largest sale of any Pile remedy in the world. Sold by druggists everywhere or sent by mail, 50 cent boxes. Address Zion's Co-operative Mercantile Institution, Salt Lake City. d&w (2)

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION:

One red HEIFER, 2 years old, branded P L on right hip, and H B L on tag in right ear.

One red STEER, 2 years old, crop on left ear, and brand resembling on left shoulder.

If the above described animals are not claimed and taken away within 10 days from date hereof, they will be sold to the highest cash bidder, at 10 o'clock a. m., February 18th, 1888, at Midway, Wasatch County.

G. H. BUNNEL, Precinct Poundkeeper.

Midway, Wasatch Co., Feb. 10, 1888.

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION:

One black STEER, 3 years old, branded J on left hip, and brand resembling J P or J D combined on left thigh, crop and underbit in right and left and underbit in left ear.

One red STEER, 2 years old, branded O J (bar slanting) on left side.

If damages and costs on said animals be not paid within 10 days from date of this notice, they will be sold to the highest cash bidder at Midway, Wasatch County, at 10 o'clock a. m., February 23rd, 1888.

G. H. BUNNEL, Precinct Poundkeeper.

Midway, Wasatch Co., Feb. 12, 1888.

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION:

One red and white STEER, yearling past not marked, brand resembling C on right hip.

If damage and costs on said animal be not paid within 10 days from date of this notice, it will be sold to the highest cash bidder at Huntington precinct pound, Utah, at 10 o'clock a. m., February 21st, 1888.

J. T. WAKEFIELD, Precinct Poundkeeper.

Huntington, Emery Co., Feb. 11, 1888.

## NOTICE OF SALE.

In the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Utah, Salt Lake County.

Ansel Lee; and Ansel L. Milham, Nina B. Milham, Gertrude I. Milham, Mary I. Milham, Lavina Milham, Clara A. Milham, and George C. Milham, minors by their general guardian Martha Milham, Marquis F. Lee, Jane Webb, William H. Lee, O. S. Lee, John F. Lee, Elizabeth Lee, Rhoda Lee Parker, Catherine Lee, Lucy I. Eynas, Adella Lee, Irene Lee, and Joseph W. Lee, the last two minors by their general guardian Fannie F. Lee; Alvin Lee, Anrilla Lee, William Lee, Rhoda Lee, Ann J. Lee, Charles Lee, Julia A. Lee; and Rhoda Lee, Louisa K. Lee, Minnie Lee, Luella Lee, Jesse Lee, Alex T. Lee, and Gertrude Lee, the last seven minors by their general guardian Julia A. Lee; Sarah May Newton, John W. Newton, and George I. Newton, minors by their general guardian George A. Newton, Plaintiffs,

Theodore Lee, and Henry Lee, Defendants.

In pursuance of an order of the District Court made in the above entitled action, dated the 9th day of February, 1888, the undersigned referee in partition, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Court House in the City of Salt Lake, on the 10th day of March, 1888, at 11 o'clock a. m. all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the said Salt Lake City, and bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the north west corner of lot five (5) in block eighty-five (85) Plat A. Salt Lake City Survey and running thence east two hundred and twenty-two (222) feet; thence south ten (10) rods; thence west ninety (90) feet; thence north forty-six (46) feet; thence west one hundred and thirty-two (132) feet; thence north one hundred and nineteen (119) feet to place of beginning.

Terms cash, and the deed or deeds to be made executed and delivered upon confirmation of the sale by the Court.

JOHN F. LEE,

Dated Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 11th, 1888