attention of the Powers. Governor Aleko Pasha has opposed the instructions of the Porte in every instance, and the advanced national party are becoming masters of the situation.

SIMLA, 22.—Official intelligence here from two authentic sources, by way of Persia, confirms the news that the Russian advance column had been defeated by Turcomans, at Geoklepe, with a loss of 700 killed, and that the Russians are falling back on Burma.

ST. GEORGE STAKE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

Conference proceedings commenced at priesthood meeting, 5 p.m., Friday the 12th of September. John D. T. McAllister, President of the Stake, presiding.

At 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. of Saturday the 13th and of Sunday the 14th, sessions of the conference continued.

President McAllister, in a much improved state of health, dispensed freely to the Saints the good word; administering in some cases reproof, and raising the warning voice, but doing so in the saving spirit of brotherly kindness.

The other speakers, in the order in which they addressed the conference were: President Thomas J. Jones, Elder A. F. McDonald, Bishop Walter Granger, Bishop Ed. Bunker, Bishop David H. Cannon, Bishop Thomas S. Terry and President Jacob Gates.

Among the subjects treated upon by the speakers were the advisability of the people of the Stake contributing aid in labor and funds towards bringing the water of Cottonwood into St. George to assist in beautifying the Temple grounds; the duty of the Elders in Israel and of the people to cultivate a contented spirit and to refrain from leaving their present homes with the intention of going to Arizona or elsewhere, without being called to do so by competent authority. Invitation was given to such as have the ability to send men and teams to carry on the work of grading the Temple grounds. Instruction was given to the effect that all persons desirous of entering the Temple of God should, if they have any unsettled difficulties, make everything right with their fellows before going into that holy House. Exhortations were given to pay faithful tithes and hearty free-will offerings. Encouraging words were administered to the people relative to the severe drought of the past season.

Many good things were said of the United Order indicative of a yearning in the hearts of the Saints for the time to come when the people of God will be one in temporal as in spiritual things. These and kindred subjects were dispensed freely to the people under the influence of the good kind spirit of the Father, which was plainly manifest in the speakers.

Full statistical ward reports for the last quarter were read, also reports of some Sabbath schools, relief societies, and Y. M. M. I. Associations.

Full report was made of the High Priests' quorum. The second and fourth quorums of Elders were reported.

The general authoritses of the Church, also the Stake authorities, were sustained by unanimous vote of the Saints.

A good corps of home missionaries was called and their appointments for the ensuing quarter were published.

The fatherly benediction of the patriarch, Wm. G. Perkins, brought to a close the proceedings of a conference which has been characterized by no common spirit of devotion to God, and to the carrying out of His revealed will.

JAMES G. BLEAK,
Clerk of St. George Stake.

St. George, Sept. 14, 1879.

DEFENCE OF "MORMONISM."

We clip the following from the Arizona *Expositor*:

Editor Territorial Expositor:

I have read carefully the article on the Mormon question by "M," his statement that he believes in the right of all to vent their opinions and get others to adopt them, gives any one who may see fit, the right to answer his remarks. His comments on your article I am not called on to answer, you can do that to your own liking.

Speaking of Christian crusaders of high character, he says "they see the sensual, brutalizing influence which prevails in Utah. The women are slaves, the children are, or have been kept in ignorance." I do not understand "M" to be speaking of individuals, but in general terms. I wish to answer the the same. The first assertion I will answer by comparison. The Jews saw in Jesus Christ a being they felt justified in crucifying and so sure were they that they were right, that they defied all testimony in regard to him by his disciples whilst his followers testified that he was the Son of God come to redeem the world, this testimony they bore even to the laying down of their lives. They in their day were judged and executed by the law administered by the hands of the majority. There are as many witnesses to-day in regard to the righteous and elevating influences of the gospel, polygamy included, as there was to the divinity of the Savior in his day. As to the children being kept in ignorance, if "M" will search for facts, if he is a true frontiersman, he will be ashamed of the remark The Mormons who first settled Utah were almost entirely poor, and for a good many years had to scratch hard for a living. Under those circumstances it is not to be wondered at that the education of the children could not possibly be attended to with that care that in after years, when prosperity crowned their labors, could be bestowed upon them. All people who settle new countries know how this is, and we of Arizona have not lived past the recollection of this fact.

The writer of this went to Utah in 1850, and at that day almost every settlement had its schoolhouse, where the small children went to school in the summer and the larger ones in the winter season. Night schools were common, where not only the youth, but many gray-haired elders sought learning in the common English branches.

As for the women being slaves, that is an old worn out story, in the sense that "M" presents it. The women of Utah enjoy the franchise: they are among the leaders of women's rights. For instance "M" will please subscribe and pay for the *Woman's Exponent*, published in Salt Lake City, and read it carefully, then he can judge; provided he is a man of family he knows that woman cannot be made to say anything she does not want to say, or kept from saying what she wishes, but if "M" is an old crusty bachelor, I do not think he has any business with this woman question.

"M" says, "We deny that the Mormons at heart are citizens of the United States." Now if "M" had stopped here, this assertion could only have been answered upon circumstantial evidence or reasoning from cause to effect; but his further statement that there is not a single act to which one can point to show their loyalty, gives opportunity for positive testimony. The trouble now is, to the knowledge of the writer, there has been so many that I hardly know which to leave out, and if "M" will pay for the work, I will furnish him at least one hundred pages of acts of loyalty, or at least acts that would generally be termed loyal. For the present I will mention a few: In 1846, during the Mexican war, five hundred Mormons were enlisted in the United States service, served their time faithfully and received honorable discharge, as well as high compliments from their commander, P. St. George Cook; the people of Utah, at an early date, asked to be recognized and organized into a territorial government; volunteers were furnished during the late war to protect the mail on the plains, they rendered efficient service, received their pay for so doing and were honorably discharged; Brigham Young served as governor of Utah some eight years, being at the time at the head of Indian affairs in Utah. He served to the satisfaction of the government and I never heard of his official acts as governor being questioned for loyalty.

The people of Utah, the Mormons, paid their income tax as readily and with as good feeling as the average American citizen, that they do these things out of fear or policy, is not to be considered for a moment, for if we are so judged, all citizens may be judged the same.

The comparison of human sacrifice with polygamy in not tenable; the one destroys life while the other increases; no man has a right to any practice of religion that will interfere with the life and liberty of his fellow man, and no people believe this more than do the Mormons.

Marriage is a contract between the parties interested, and if they are satisfied who should grumble? The author, "M," says, outside of polygamy there is little to find fault with the Mormons, if so, please why speak so hard of them?

Q."

PAROWAN FAIR.

PAROWAN, Sept. 20, 1879.

Editors Deseret News:

Yesterday morning the national flag floated from the liberty pole, and the bands discoursed lively music, announcing the holiday.

A 9 o'clock a. m. the usual ceremonies took place in the basement of the meeting-house, such as singing, prayer and addresses, after which the fair was declared open.

As on former occasions, the scene was beautiful, yet not as varied and extensive. It was observed by many that the specimens of fruit could not well be surpassed; consisting of apples, plums, peaches and grapes. There were but few vegetables, scarcely any grains or cereals.

Several pieces of furniture, from the shops of our manufacturing company attracted attention, and certainly reflected credit on both company and workmen.

The leather, boots and shoes from the same company and the individual shop of Wm. Holyoak were fine samples in that department; as also a set of harness made by the last named.

The ladies' department presented a bright picture, though not as crowded as on previous exhibitions.

To account for the falling off in variety of articles, as compared with former fairs, it is simple justice to observe that the people had but three weeks notice, and did not anticipate a fair would be held this season. Now, as it appears we are not willing to forego the occasion, perhaps our experience will admonish us to begin preparations in time hereafter.

The customary sports were interspersed for the especial amusement of the juveniles. Horse-racing in the afternoon of the last day was almost a failure.

One of the most pleasing features of the whole was the presence of friends from the neighboring settlements; we trust they were repaid for their trouble, and feel to say come again.

A social dance was given in the evening, which was largely patronized, and passed off in excellent order.

Everything considered, we have had a good time, no accidents, no wranglings, but a quiet spirit prevailed throughout.

Committee of arrangements, Thomas Durham, Wm. C. McGregor, Thomas Davenport, John Bentley, Sidney Orton, Thomas Rowley, H. J. Mortensen, Nathan Benson, A. J. Mortensen, Wm. O. Orton, (Summit) Erastus McIntyre, of Paragoonah.

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