

tiny, they are fulfillers of prophecy. Look at the history of the Church of God. There was a time when the ordinance of baptism could scarcely be preached to the people. It was not until John the Baptist came as a forerunner to prepare the way, that one could come after him who would bestow upon them the Holy Ghost. This is the work of the Lord, and God has set His hand to bring about the gathering of His people, that His word may be fulfilled as the scriptures verified. The increased attendance at our conferences ought to be a living witness to the world that this is God's work, and woe to him who stretches forth his hand to stay or interfere with its progress. Spoke of the ancient prophecies which were uttered by God's servants and of their literal fulfillment, and said that so sure as they had been verified, that those that have been uttered concerning this work would also be verified. Bore testimony to the divinity of the latter-day work, and said that we would enjoy all the blessings promised, if we would but live for them.

[Elder Grant here announced that Elder Ivius had been chosen to succeed Elder George Teasdale as President of the Mexican mission, Elder Teasdale having been honorably released to return home to this city.]

ELDER ABRAHAM H. CANNON

prefaced his remarks by relating an incident which showed the strength which union would bring about. In speaking of those who had disobeyed the commandments of God, the speaker showed how fully His predictions of disaster coming upon them had been fulfilled. Look at the power that the Rothschild family holds over Jerusalem. Their immense wealth controls the affairs of that country and even if war were to break out, it could be easily prevented by the Rothschilds closing up the coffers of their wealth, so that warfare would be impossible. Spoke of the Sunday schools of our Church and of the training which our children receive in those institutions. Admonished the parents to set good examples before their children and endeavor to train them up in the way they should go. Too much time is spent in foolishness instead of devoting it to the training of our children. Likened the children to a bar of iron which becomes more valuable as it is tempered.

Who are those arrayed in white
Brighter than the noonday sun?

was nicely rendered by a quartet.

The general authorities of the Church were voted upon and sustained unanimously.

Elder Seymour B. Young addressed the assemblage. He spoke of the unanimous support given by the Saints to the presiding authorities. This is as it should be. We ought to be united in all things. He alluded to the vast concourse of people that had assembled to attend general conference.

The missionary work done by our Church today is one of great magnitude. Young men are called upon to leave their homes and go into foreign lands to preach the Gospel. Some go into countries the climate of which impairs their health, but the general feeling among them is that they would rather lay down their lives than refuse to perform that labor. Hoped that the

Saints would strive to live diligently before the Lord and merit the blessings promised to the faithful.

ELDER BRIGHAM YOUNG

aided his testimony to the remarks which had already been made. The Gospel is not hidden or set under a bushel. It is allowed to shine that it might illuminate the whole earth. He read a few passages from the Book of Mormon II Nephi, predicting woe upon those who were dissatisfied with the principles that God had revealed to His people.

The choir and congregation sang the Doxology and benediction was pronounced by Elder William Seegmiller.

Afternoon Session.

AT THE TABERNACLE.

The choir sang an anthem entitled:

Lord God and Holy Ghost.

Prayer by Elder Angus M. Cannon, of Salt Lake Stake.

The anthem,

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,

was sung by the choir.

PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON

presented the general authorities of the Church to the Conference, as follows:

Wilford Woodruff, as Prophet, Seer and Revelator, and President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in all the world.

George Q. Cannon as First Counselor in the First Presidency.

Joseph F. Smith as Second Counselor in the First Presidency.

Lorenzo Snow as President of the Twelve Apostles.

As members of the Council of the Twelve Apostles—Lorenzo Snow, Franklin D. Richards, Brigham Young, Moses Thatcher, Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, George Teasdale, Heber J. Grant, John W. Taylor, Marri or W. Merrill, Anthon H. Lund and Abraham H. Cannon.

The Counselors in the First Presidency and the Twelve Apostles as Prophets, Seers and Revelators.

Patriarch to the Church—John Smith.

First Seven Presidents of the Seventies—Seymour B. Young, C. D. Fjelsted, B. H. Roberts, George Reynolds, Jonathan G. Kimball, Rulon S. Wells and Edward Stevenson.

William B. Preston, as Presiding Bishop, with Robert T. Burton as his First and John R. Winder as his Second Counselor.

Franklin D. Richards as Church historian and General Church Recorder, and John Jaques as his assistant.

As the Church Board of Education: Wilford Woodruff, Lorenzo Snow, George Q. Cannon, Karl G. Maeser, Willard Young, George W. Tantonner, Anthon H. Lund, James Sharp and Joseph F. Smith.

As Trustee-in-Trust for the body of religious worshippers known as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—Wilford Woodruff.

John Nicholson as Clerk of the General Conference.

All the voting to sustain the authorities as presented was unanimous.

PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON

delivered the closing address. He

dwelt for some time upon the wonderful growth of the influence of the community in relation to material matters, and showed that what had been accomplished had not been attained by the unaided exercise of the wisdom of man; it was the result of the people being directed by revelation from God. The benefits of our system of proselytizing; the necessity and growth of sexual purity and of honesty were treated upon, and corruption in public affairs was denounced in unqualified terms. It was the high prerogative of the Saints to set a commendable example to the peoples of the earth in all these respects. He predicted a bright future for the people both from a material and spiritual standpoint, and closed a most instructive discourse with a powerful testimony to the truth of the Gospel as revealed through Joseph Smith, the Prophet.

PRESIDENT WOODRUFF

made a few closing remarks, in the course of which he bore testimony to the excellence of the instructions given by Presidents Cannon and Smith, and closed with an exhortation to the Saints to be prompt and liberal in paying their offerings for the support of the poor.

Choir sang,

Hosanna.

Benediction by Patriarch John Smith.

Conference adjourned for six months.

STEVENSON'S TRAVELS.

ON THE D. & R. G. R. R.

Sept. 26, 1895.

Feeling my present mission in the U. S. A. drawing to a close, and my presence required at home, I will give a brief review. To what I have said before of the city of Quincy, Ill., I would add, in 1839 we opened her doors to the exiled Mormons. The thrill of the city, its growth and progress is an evidence of God's promises and blessings; while the spoiled and waste places and grass grown streets and walks of those cities which have turned away, robbed and shed the blood of His Saints, is an evidence of displeasure.

While in Quincy a three-mile street-car ride brought us to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home of over 600 acres, 1,000 inmates. We were shown through where 1,000 loaves of bread are baked each day—ten bushels of potatoes peeled and ready for breakfast. Everything was clean and neat, cars all numbered ready to convey to each department in due time. The town was so delightful that I took a picture as a remembrance of a little well spent time in a city where the writer toiled many a day for daily bread when it was only a small town.

A visit to Lincoln Park, Chicago, is too good to begin writing of for want of time and space, as also our eight mile ride out to the old World's Fair grounds, where 716,000 were attracted on a single day to see the glory of the renowned fair. I witnessed it in its glory and now in its ruins. A suggestion came into my mind: The world in its glory, and in its eventual ruins.

In 1820 Chicago was a swamp; in 1834 the tax levy totaled \$48.90; in 1850 the city was lighted by gas; 1858 street