IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

The Young Men and Young Ladies' Convene In Conference.

Three Meetings Held in The Tabernacle Yesterday—Special Exercises and Addresses.

The Young Men's and Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement Associations held their second annual conferences in the Tabernacle yesterday, the first session commencing at 10 a.m. with President Joseph F. Smith in the general superintendency presiding.

After the usual preliminaries of singing and prayer, General Superintendent Elmina S. Taylor of the Young Ladies' delivered an address. This was followed by remarks from President Joseph F. Smith, after which Mrs. Della Dayton responded with the solo, Jacob, and Miss Lucy Bevins of Cache Stake made a few remarks on mutual improvement work in that locality.

IN THE AFTERNOON.

The choir sang the hymn:

We're not ashamed to own our God,
And worship Him on earth.

Prayer was offered by Elder James G. Kimball.

The choir sang:

Above we must remember the Maid
Of Judea our redeeming Lord.

The Presidency of the Ninth ward addressed in the administration of the sacrament.

Elder Thomas Hull, general secretary of the Y. M. M. I. A. then read the statistical and financial reports of both associations, as well as presenting the general officers of the same, the votes on which were declared to be unanimous. The officers are as follows:

Y. M. M. I. A.—Wilford Woodruff, general superintendent; Joseph F. Smith, Heber J. Grant, B. H. Roberts, assistants; Francis M. Lyman, John Henry Smith, J. G. Kimball, Junius F. Wells, Milton H. Hardy, Rodney C. Badger, George H. Brimhall, Edward H. Anderson, Dugald M. Todd, John R. Hoppin, Edward H. Snow, Nephi L. Morris, Richard W. Young, Hyrum G. Wells; Thomas Hull, secretary; William S. Burton, treasurer; E. Stephens, music director.

Y. L. M. I. A.—Elmina S. Taylor, general superintendent; Maria Y. Dougall, Martha H. Tingey, counselors; Aggie Campbell, Adelia W. Eardley, Sarah Eldredge, Julia T. Freeze, May Booth Talmage, Minnie J. Snow, Emma Goddard, Rose Wallace, Ann M. Cannon, secretary and treasurer; Mae Taylor, corresponding secretary; Jane Campbell, recording secretary; Ellen Y. Gates, editor of journal.

Sister Lizzie Thomas-Edward rendered a solo in very pleasing style.

Elder Junius F. Wells, assistant to the general superintendency, addressed the congregation. He spoke of the early experiences of the Saints and the guiding power of God which had been constantly over them. Their being led to the valleys of the Rocky Mountains was referred to, as was also the organization of the Mutual Improvement associations and their rapid and steadily increasing growth. A foundation had been laid, said the speaker, which would indoctrinate into the minds of the youth of Israel a feeling of responsibility, and that feeling would bear its fruits when required, in the upbuilding and rolling on of the kingdom of God upon the earth. The future was one of great promise wherein to witness the faithfulness and integrity of the young people, and all of this as a result of their connection with the Mutual Improvement associations and kindred Church auxiliaries.

Sister Maria Y. Dougall of the Young Ladies' general superintendency, was the next speaker. Sister Dougall endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker in the assertion that the young people of the Church would lead off the kingdom of God on the earth. The Mutual Improvement associations were accomplishing a great good among the young, and a band of faithful sons and daughters were being trained in the ways of God and were getting ready for the work which would devolve upon them in the future.

Elder A. H. Peterson, superintendent of the Cache Stake association, next spoke. He said he realized that the young people of Zion had a great work before them, and he believed that they were prepared for it. Greater progress in the kingdom was possible, and would be accomplished in the latters and sisters which referred to their sons and daughters the examples and in the way which would be a fulfillment of their respective duties.

Sister Martha H. Tingey, of the Young Ladies' superintendency, made a few remarks. Sister Tingey regretted the fact that only half the enrolled membership of the association attended to their meetings. She spoke of the benefits to be derived from a faithful attendance at the Mutual Improvement meetings and urged the young ladies to strive with greater zeal than ever before in the work in the future, in the interest of the cause.

Assistant General Superintendent George H. Brimhall was the next speaker. He said, said he, were to be found in the greatest cities. Truth was found in everything. It was not a matter of opinion, he admitted as well as other matters of opinion. This being the case, it behoved the people, and especially those of Zion, to be careful in their investigations before the whole truth in order that it might become settled in the mind and taste of them who possessed the priesthood. This, said the speaker, would make them fit for the meetings of the Father, and would be obtained through the Spirit, of which there were in the Mutual Improvement and other associations in the Church.

Choir sang the anthem:

Let the earth now rejoice for joy,
After which the choir rendered an anthem in the singing of the 23 and 24 verses of the 96th Psalm, pronounced by Elder Francis M. Lyman.

EVENING SESSION.

Singing by the Tabernacle Choir:

Come ye and the ransomed.

Prayer was offered by Elder E. H. Snow.

Singing by the Ladies' choir:

In our work.

Elder Heber J. Grant was on the program for an address but in the unfinished of Seth Sprague's sermon at preaching, the regrets was read to the conference.

President Joseph F. Smith delivered an address on Priesthood—its duties, responsibilities, obligations and rights of the Priesthood of the Church. He commenced by reading from the 13th and 14th of the book of Doctrine and Covenants and explained that the office of presiding was a distinct and separate organization of the Church, from officers from all other offices in the Priesthood, in that its authority was a special one and ceased only when the person upon whom it had been bestowed, fell away from the faith, or resigned from the office ever which he had been appointed to preside. In such case the right of presidency had to be restored if the same person were again called upon to preside. There could never be two parallel lines, said President Smith, in the same Church or church, either men or women. One must be recognized as the superior of the two, being delegated therefore to take the lead. The authority which provides should be recognized. Within the organization particular, the sisters the elders and school sisters from the head should be regarded as authoritatively.

President Smith spoke of the different degrees of priesthood and the order which prevailed in the Church concerning the same, and closed his remarks by urging upon the Saints the necessity of honoring those who were called to preside.

Sister Julia B. Freeze next spoke. She said she looked upon the large congregation assembled as a most fitting tribute to the Pioneers, who had paved the way for the same at present presence. It indicated in all earnestness that the seed and daughters of those noble men and women were willing to perpetuate the glorious principles which their fathers sacrificed and suffered so much for. This was as it should be. It gratified a regard for their memories. The work and although at times the sons and daughters of Zion seemed a little careless and indifferent, the planting of the seeds of principle in the hearts of the youth, would in the due time bring the Lord bring into flourishing truth. Parents should exercise patience with their children. And the time was then to rally round the home fireside. The exacting times should not be set by the young men and women of the Church as the best of things. Home, established some time hence that time and overpowering, inspire their attention to the lives of godly ancestors.

President Smith spoke of some doubt in the minds of some the fact of one's being a young woman, and young men. The young women were to be taught to have faith in God, and to be a fulfillment of their respective duties.

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Garland	2	Tremonton	2
Deweyville	2	Portage	2
Honeyville	2	Garland	2
Elwood	2	Bothwell	2
Tremonton	2	Mantua	2
Portage	2	Sidney	2
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Mantua	2	Cornish	2
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Coalville	2	Peterson	2
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