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BREEZY NOTES FROM THE SOUTHERN STATES MISSION

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Ohio—A. F. Totton, president, box 41, Station "D." Columbus.—Elders C. D. Gray and C. Frischknecht are laboring in Xenia, visiting the mem-bers in the branch. A Mutual Im-provement Association has been orprovement Association has been or-ganized . . . A very favorable re-port comes from El-Vers W. H. Wood-bury and A. S. Hall, who are labor-ing in Adams Co. . . Company "A" with Elder J. R. Green in charge, is meeting with success in Newark. . . Polities has given way to a more settled condition which makes the opportunities for good work, much better. The health of the elders is good.

good. North Carolina—Robt. B. White, president, Box 547. Wilminkton.—A successful open air meeting was held on the streets of Statesville by Com-pany "A" A large and intelligent con-gregation listened to the elders preach. At the close of the meeting a Rev. (?) gentleman steplyd up and commenced to show the Elders the error of their ways, instead of so doing he showed his ignorance of the Gospel, making a failure of his at-tempt. He left amid the jeers of the crowd. . . . Te mayor of Lexington gave the elders permission to hold meetings on the street. . . . A series of good meetings were held at Enquay Springs. Company work has been sus-pended owing to the inclemency of the weather. weather.

East Teinessee—Wm. K. Soelberg, president., Box 688, Knoxville.—The elders report much success in all their work; in every county in which they are laboring school houses, also church buildings of every denomina-tion, are at their disposal in which to hold meetings. . . Work in the tion, are at their disposal in which to hold meetings. . . Work in the City of Knoxville has been resumed by Elders Soelberg and J. G. Jensen, who find a friendly spirit more man-iftest than a year or so ago. . . . Elders E. Osguthorpe and C. E. Jen-sen have ten school houses in Bledsoe Co., in which they have obtained per-mission to hold regular meetings.

mission to hold regular meetings. Flor''1-0. W. Hyde, president 1324 C.aude street, Jacksonville.-A Mutual Improvement association has been organized in Jacksonville. A so-cial was given on the initial evening and the work given a good start.... A district conference was held at Me-Donald, Ga., where nine elders were in at'endance. The meetings were well attended and a very profitable time had... A number of the elders, in-cluding President Hyde, met at Walk-erville, where some successful meet-h zs were held. Elders J. W. Blazzard and James Moore have bee visiting the members of the Church, and report finding them well, spiritually, with a desire to continue to live faithful.

desire to continue to five futura. Middle Tennessee—D. S. Dorrity, president, Box. 269, Memphis—Two baptisms were reported by Elder J. A. Crosby. . . Elders D. S. Dorrity and J. E. Johnson were called to the home of Sister Ross in Memphis, to admin-fister to her baby. After the administra-tion the ch. 1 quickly mended and was soon enjoying complete health. . . While carvassing in Dyer, Gibson county, Elder C. Bandlev had a door s'amed in his face by a minister. Last year the elders were forbidden to tract in Britts Landing. They are now meet-ing with success in that elty. . . The work in Memphis is progressing nicely. nicely.

Atlanta branch with but one exception. are represented on this year's tithing list, and every family is paying, its fast offerings . . Prest, Chus, A. Callis paid a pleasant and profitable visit to Atlanta on the 3rd of November.

South Carolina—Frank Paskett, president, box 276. Columbia—Elder R. A. Meeks, who presided over the con-ference for some time past and who has been faithful and energetic in all his labors, was holocably released to return home. During Elder Meek's pres-idency the conference has advanced very materially. One hundred and five baptisms have been reported for this year. Elder Frank Puskett has been selected as his successor. . . The peo-ple of Columbia are taking greater in-terest in the gospel message than ever A. Meeks, who presided over the ago, ple of Columbia are taking greater m-terest in the gospel message than ever before. . . . Elder Wm. Decker and W. G. Ogilvie, while canvassing along one of the main roads of Horry coun-ty, met a number of men who were working their road tax, the elders were invited to hold meeting during their noon hour, which they did, and were granted a respectful hearing.

Georgia-L. L. Myers, president, 434 Oak street, Macon-Four successful meetings were hold at Toomsboro by Elders Myers and A. E. Mertenson, all of which were well attended. There were noticed in the congregation some people who remarked a few months ago. that they would sooner entertain a ne-gro than a Mormon elder. They are ow quite friendly disposed. . . . Suc-

regular monthly meetings. C. E. DINWOODEY, Secy.

PRESIDENT OF NORTH-WESTERN STATES MISSION

Logan, Nov. 25.—Melvin J. Ballard of this place has just accepted a call from the First Presidency of the Church to take charge of the Northwestern states mission with headquarters at Portland. Oregon. He will leave in April with his family to assume charge. Mr. Ballard is one of the most ac-tive Church men in the Cache stake, besides one of the most successful busi-ness men of Logan. He is a son of the late Bishop Henry Ballard and was born here 35 years ago. One of his first achievements worth while was to graduate from the Brigham You..g college in 1894, and for two years later he taught in the same institution. Af-ter marrying Miss Mattie Jones of the ter marrying Miss Mattie Jones of the Eighteenth ward, Salt Lake, he was called on a special mission to the large cities of the United States in company with B. H. Roberts and George D. Pyper, including a mission to the northern states, where he became pres-ident of the Southern Illinois confer-

per J. A. O. of the elders and saints at Wisconsin was held in Milwaukee, Oct. 31 and Y J. 1. Three public and three priesttow quite friendly disposed. . . . Suc-cossful meetings 202 a baptismal ser-vice v are held at Ur ion Point, a num-ber of people being in attendance, who had previously brac quite bitter. . . . Elders Geo, M. Jamei and T. L. Riche-son are holding good meetings in Bul-lock county. They decently baptized two converts. . . . Favorable conditions exist in all parts of the conference. There are nine different school houses and churches in which the elders hold regular monthly meetings. William Gg H. M. Olms. mon. Logan, Nov. 25 .- Melvin J. Ballard of

ence. On returning home he engaged



their follow laborers in the Northern States mission and to their brethren in the whole world. They feel that what-ever good is being accomplished is a part of their work and they rejolce in the work of the Lord. The Lord is spreading and growing as never before. Edward T. Britten departed this life. Edward T. Britten departed this life Nov. 5, 1908, at Evansville, Ind., after a brief illness. He was over 61 years of He was burtized over 25 years while living in eastern Tennes-In 1905 he was ordained an elder and called to take charge of the Evans-vill branch Sunday school. In the branch at Evansväle he has always been an energetic worker, ever ready to do his part in spycading the gospel in that locality. The elders who have labored in Indiana during the last 10 labored in Indiana (firing the fast 10 years will remember Mr. Britten with gratitude in their hearts. His door was always open to them and his hospitable and genial disposition always made them love him. He leaves a wife and two daughters who are faithful Latterday Saints. The elders and friends ex-tend their sympathy to them in their bereavement.—Prest. E. W. Marchant,

Wisconsin Conference-Conference

hood meetings were held. Prest, G. E. Ellsworth and wife, Elder W. D. Pet-ty were here from Chicago. Also Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown and Mr. and Mrs, Harvey Fletcher were in attendance from Chicago. At t'e Saturday evening service we listened to the follow-ing speeches: "Ider John Wendel, on apostacy are storation; Elder W. D. Baird, and works; Elder n baptism, and Elder th the Book of Mor-Sunday morning service comrenced at 10:45 and addresses were giv-en by the visiting brethren and sisters. Elder Brown, who had formerly labored in Wisconsin, was glad to re-turn to his old field of labor and visit turn to his old field of labor and visit friends and acquaintances. In the eve-ning the little church was weld filled and many strangers were in attendance. Many gosjel truths were made plain by Elder Hyrum Etockin, Sister Mary S. Ella-worth and President Ellsworth. Priest-hood meetings were held Sunday after-noon and Monday at which President Ellsworth gave us good instructions

Ellsworth gave us good instructions and much encouragement to press on in the work of the Lord. A good spirit prevailed in all the meetings and spirit prevailed in all the meetings and many friends were made by their hav-ing attended the conference. The con-ference marks the end of the summer's work, yet from the good time the eld-ers have had they are sorry it has drawn to a close. Since the 4th of July, the elders have been divided in-to companies of four and six and in going from city to city have remained in a place from three days to a week, preaching to the people every night.



Top Row, Left to Right-Wm, B. Brown, Prest. R. R. Church, A. A. Yates, Wm. Taysom, Lower Row-J. J. Bodine, Byron Merrill, S. J. Orme, A. M. Harder.

the work in this part of His vine-yard. The Book of Mormon has been widely distributed. During the months of July, 'August, September and Octo-

ber, 16 and part of the time only 15 elders have disposed of 1.859 Books of Mormon, 7.035 small doctrinal books, which is an average per elder for the

four honths, of 117 Books of Mormon and 445 small books or an average per elder per month of a little better than 29 Books of Mormon and 111 small than 29 Books of Mormon and 111 shall books. During this time we also dis-tributed 25,558' tracts, visited 18,733 families and had 24,188 gospel conversa-tions. We feel to thank our Heavenly Father for the same and pray that His blessings may contigue. While we have been so greatly blessed in sowing we heaven be an entering. Yet we

E. Crane. Confirmations took place in the evening. A baptism was performed at Brill's Public Baths, Brighton (London confronte Baths, Brighton (London con-ference). Oct. 31, when two converts were initiated into the fold, Elder Mark Austin performing the cere-mony. The converts were confirmed in the saints' meeting hall. have done no harvesting. Yet we know the L avest will come. One may plant upther nurture, but God giv-eth a increase.-Louis Fugal, Conf. president

CONFERENCE IN NEW ZEALAND

Chicago Branch Bazar-November Kopuawhara, Mahia, Sept.28.--Dist. conference was held at this place 11 and 12, a bezar was held in the L. D. S. Church, Chicago. It was given If and the chicago. It was given under the i_{21} was of the Relief Socie-ty, Chicago branch, a good program each evening furnishes entertainment after which a social time was had, eating ice cream, drinking lemonade and purchasing the useful and orna-mental articles on sale. When the clos-ing hours came all articles not sold were auctioned off-Student Cragun acting as auctioner. Mr. Behringer, one of our friends, presented the bazur with a medicine case, hand carved and polished. It $x \in$ an exceptionally fine piece of work and the gift was much conference was held at this place on the 19th and 20th, and was from every point a success, notwithstanding two deaths and a number of sick among us, which greatly reduced the attend-ance that we otherwise would have had. As it was, between 150 and 200 were present, many of whom were not of our faith of our faith.

of our failh. The rain and wind which seemed to threaten ill to our conference, begaa Wednesday 16th, and by Friday was something fierce, having during the night almost torn from its moorings the large conference tent which the local alders had taken so much bains local elders had taken so much pains

polished. It $x \in$ an exceptionally fine piece of work and the gift was much appreciated. Many new triends vis-tiled the bazar and expression apprecia-tion of the good spirit pice. "fig. The $x \in pei$ can be preached in many ways p — the saints of the Chicago branch i = x teach by example as well as by $x \in pei$ to the sisters of the Relief Soto set up. Prest, Rufus K, Hardy had to face rrest, futures K, Hardy fiad to face a real Mahia gale and rain in all its flereeness in order to get here Friday afternoon, with three visiting elders. They were welcomed with warm hearts, and a warm five area automations there here They were welcomed with warm hearts, and a warm fire was awaiting them in a little pleasant schoolroom which would do credit to many larger places, The schoolhouses and the dwelling-houses built by the elders, the needful hears and to success of their bazar-for it was a success both socially and financially. houses built by the elders, the needful helps and encouragements and pa-tlence of the elders and sisters within the homes, the wise counsel and words of love, above all the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ, taught to them by His-servants, will yet civilize and make of the Maori race a nobic people, whom the world will honor and respect. While the government is endeavoring to find a method by which to civilize the race, the elders are quietly and humbly NEW ORLEANS the elders are quietly and humbly performing this great task almost un-consciously yet surely and swiftly. The people, and the government too, The people, and the government too, are seeing the fruits of Mormonism among them, and it has begun to be not only a matter of comment, but of wonder, dissipating greatly the strain of abuse, ridicule, and persecution. Saturday morning dawned clear and bright for the beginning of confer-ence, which was accompanied by the

Utah.

Were added to the Church. President Johnson officiated. A baptism took place at the Snein-ton Baths, Nottingham, on Oct. 31. A large gathering of saints and non-members was present. Elder Thomas delivered an instructive address on the first principles and ordinances of the gospel. Two converts were then baptized by Elder A. J. Gilbert. A baptismal service was held in the public baths, Kidderminster (Bir-mingham), on Oct. 31. Four con-verts were baptized by Elder William E. Crane. Confirmations took place in the evening.

der Haight, and unanimously sustained. President Rufus K. Hardy explained in a clear and forceful manner that the Muoris are of Israel and are legal heirs to the blessings of Abraham if they will only live for them.

Immediately after the close of the meeting the Walwhara branch was re-organized with the following officers: Matetu as president, Hatarel Teyeka as first and Mirimiri Hapeta as second counselors. Rahana Rakalora was or-dained a deacon. This branch had been in a state of decline for several years. the counselors and most of the mein the counselors and most of the man-bers having moved away or left the Church. Within the last year thero seems to have been a revival among them, and one after another have re-turned; and now since the death of their old and faithful president, Te Ruz Atimane, they have come forward de-Atiman, they have come forward de-manding a reorganization. In this meeting several more confessed their wrongs in leaving the Church. At the close a cheer was given for the Waiwhara branch and all went away

happy. At the Sunday evening session Elder W. A. Miller bore his testimony in the Maori language, and the subjects of baptism and repentance were dwelt upon by Whakangaro Makahue and Peria Rupena. Paraone Kohai and Ruka Whangaipiri made a few pleas-ant remarks concerning the schools among the Maori people. All in fact had good words to say for the schools and the elders who had labored as teachers in the sume. All expressed their great desire to see their children educated and if possible by teachers from Zion. A vote of thanks was ten-dered the good people of Kopuawhara happy. their great desire to see their children educated and if possible by teachers from Zion. A vote of thanks was ten-dered the good people of Kopuawhara whose labors made the conference a success, and also to the school chil-

dren and master for the pleasant sine With much regrets we had good-by

to our president and visiting ddc. Monday morning, and within a free days but one lonely elder was left the borders of Mahia. E. P. PECTOL.

TETON STAKE CONFERENCE

The regular quarterly conference of the Teton stake was held at Driggs, idaho, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 14, and 15. Elders Orson F. Whitney and Joseph W. McMurrin of the general authorities were in attendance.

A good representation of wards and stake organizations was present a most of the meetings, with a very fair attendance of the saints generally. The weather was ideal. Reports by ward and stake officers showed the conditions generally fair. Primary associations were shown it.

showed the conditions generally fair. Primary associations were shown to be in very good condition, while fat-ligion class work is very hard to even get started, which contrast gave the visiting brethren a subject to speck on. They showed that where the Pri-mary can succeed, Religion class can also; that Religion class work was as divinely instituted as the Primary work and as nocessary. Elder McMui-rin compared the beginning of other Christian churches with that of the Latter-day Saints, showing the inspir-ation of God and His management in that of the latter, and the presence of His power.

His power. Elder Orson F. Whitney showed that Eider Orson F. Whitney showed that the place or location of the center stake of Zion is Jackson county, Mis-souri, so revealed to the Prophet Jos-eph Smith, and always so recognized by the Church, and that it is the plan of the Church to build up Zion in that place. The mission of the Latter-day Saints, he said, is the maintenance of liberty, the establishment of right-cousness and the redemption of the world, and urged that these noble abns, this great mission of the saints, placed upon them by the Lord, be kept al-ways before their view, that they might live to this end. live to this end.

M. M. NORMAN, Stake Clerk

RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

The elders named below have report-ed during the week at the Church His-torian's office in this city their return from the foreign mission field on the dates named. All the missionaries re-turn in the best of health and spirits, and report the gospel work making splendid progress in all the fields repre-sented.

Oct. 24.-Orson W. Gunderson, of Win-ler ward, Salt Lake county, from the scandinavian mission; set apart Aug. 21, 1906.

Nov. 19.-Ernest J. Grange of Hunting-ton, Emery county, from the Eastern States mission; set apart Oct. 9, 1996.

Nov. 20.-David H. Clayton, Jr., Salt Lake City, from the British mission; set apart Sept 18, 1906. John Henry Batty of Toquerville, Washington county, from the Southern States mission; set apart Oct. 23, 1906. Silas L. Wright of Bennington, Ida., from the California mission; set apart New 14 1996

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Nov. 14, 1996. Nov. 22.-Jesse B. Sharp of Cannon ward, Salt Lake county, from the Brit-ish mission; set apart Sept. 11, 1996 bon county, from the Southern States

Nov. 23.—Henry A. Face of Price, Car-mission; set apart June 26, 1998. John S. Smith of Salt Lake City, from the British mission; set apart May 23. 1906.

Nov. 24.-Thomas R. Urie of Cedar City, Iron county, from the Eastern States mission; set apart Oct. 24, 1906. Alma N. Sisam of East Jordan, Salt Lake county, from the Eastern States mission; set apart April 10, 1906.

GENEALOGY.

All communications for this depart-ment, should be addressed to the sec-retary of the Genealogical society, Elder Joseph F. Smith, Jr., care of Historical Mice. Said Table City quiry came to this office almost at the same time that the foregoing did: Information is desired concerning the descendants of four Davis brothers Historian's office, Salt Lake City,

MORRIS FAMILY.

who came from Wales to America, two of whom settled in Salem Co., New Jersey, one in Pennsylvania, and one went south, John Davis who is our ancestor direct, settled in New Jersey meager account we have states Issac Davis, who was my great-The grandfather, was born in New Jersey, but my father says his grandfath came from Virginia to Ohio before th latter was a state, or admitted to the Union, which was in 1802.

The officers of the association are Car-oline Dennison, president; Margaret Johnson, first counselor; Marie Bed-tker, second counselor, and Daisy secretary NORTHERN STATES MISSION. CONFERENCE AT New Orleans, La., Nov. 12.-Yes-terday and today President Ben-nion and Elder Whitley from the mis-sion office at Independence, Mo., met in conference with the olders of this state in this city, when an excellent time was had. Yesterday two priest-hood meetings were held when the work of the elders here was commended by President Bennion and all were en-couraged to continue in the good work. The last meeting of the elders was held

In a plate from the beauty to a week, preaching to the people every night. In this way the work has quietly and steadily gone on. Many Books of Mormon have been left and thousands of people have listened attentively to the gospel message, and with their re-

Kentucky—Thos. E. Secrist, presl-dent,Box 554, Louisville—Two converts were baptized at Liletown by Elders C. G. Longhurst and J. A. Decker. Re-ports from all parts of the confer-ence show the work to be progressing satisfactorily. ence show the satisfactorily.

satisfactorily. Alabama—H. A. Gardner, president, Box 705, Montgomery—At Blue Springs, Elder B. H. Waldron and Bert L. Pope blessed two children. The little child of Brother James Carroll of the above place, took suddenly ill, was admin-fistered to by the elders, and was im-mediately restored to health. At Brindige the above elders stopped over night at the hotel. During the evening the guests were invited into the parlor and the elders much to their surprise were asked to preach. They gladly ac-cepted the opportunity of explaining their mission. After the meeting a young lady played the plano while Eld-er Pope sang a number of songs. . . . er Pope sang a number of songs. . . . Mrs. Ellen Nora Eanks, wife of John W. Banks of Macedonia, died on Oct. 23. Brother Eanks' home was always Sister Song Sister Song Sister 23. Brother Banks' home was always a home for the elders, and Sister Banks has many times administered to the comfort of the elders. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint. . . Elder A. O. Stoker and Joan M. Peart re-port one baptism at Patsburg. . . The home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hicks in Montgomery, has been open to the elders for the past six months in which to hold meetings and for which the to hold meetings and for which the elders feel grateful. . . . The infant child of Sister Epsy Wallace of Independence, passed away on Nov. 8, . . . Elders Nathan H. Stevens and Amos F. Pace have been holding successful meetings in a large, Methodist church at Newaritchka, Fla.

Mississippi—Elder D. Wm. Stowell, president, No. 416 George St., Jackson— Baptismal services were held at Beech-wood by Elders P. P. Johnson and Wil-lard Brugger, two converts being bap-tized. . . A Methodist minister of Lewisville purchased a Book of Mor-mon from the elders, expressing a de-sire to learn of its contents. . . . The anti-Mormon snirth which in the nast size to learn of its contents. . . . The anti-Mormon spirit which in the past prevailed in Alcorn Co., is giving way to a friendly feeling on the part of the who are becoming acquainted people, who are becoming acquainted with the truth with reference to Mor-monism. A series of six meetings were held in Bookhaven. The paper of this place kindly advertized the meetings and a young Christian minister helped to draw a crowd to the service by dis-tributing the elder's announcements.

East Kentucky—G. F. Ellsworth, president, box No. 422, Lexington— While traveling through Clark county Elders J. E. Pickett and E. J. Solomon Elders J. E. Pickett and E. J. Soboton met an old gentleman who claimed to be one of the teamsters in Johnston's army. He was very friendly to the elders. . . On Nov. 7, Sister Mary F. Shelton, wife of E. H. Shelton, of Liberty, Casey Co., passed away. The Shelton home has sheltered the elders for mean years. The many kind acts for many years. The many kind act of Sister Shelton will be greatly missed She lived a true Latter-day Saint and has gone to that reward which awaits the faithful. Funeral services were held by Elders R. E. Bunker and B. F. Cowley, All the elders are in good health and report success in their labors

Atlanta—Paul E. Nelson, president, No. 29 Connally St., Atlanta, Ga.—In Jackson county, Elders J. A. Hunter and J. W. Starley are having success labors in their Elders A G. and J. A. Smith report conditions that every family belonging to the



MELVIN J. BALLARD.

in organizing the Logan Knitting factory, first as manager and now a ident. This is one of the for forem ident. manufacturing establishments in the state today. In 1899 Mr. Ballard was chosen by the stake authorities here o represent the Church in a six debate against the Josephite church and

debate against the Josephite church and that church hasn't been heard from in this Jocality since. In company with Elder Joseph W. McMurrin he was atlso instrumental in opening up the mission at Bolse a few years ago. He has served for six ond a heaf years as counselor in the and a half years as counselor in the Logan Second ward bishopric and for Logan Second ward bishopric and for two years past has been a member of the stake high council. For two terms he was president of the Cache Commercial club, of which he is now director.

He was one of the principal factors president of the tabernacle choir, in securing the installation of the large tabernacle organ here. At present Mr. Ballard is president of the B. Y. C alumni association. While but a young Logan will sustain a great los through Mic. Ballard's leaving. N N information in demand that he, searcely ever is there an entertain-ment of any kind in Logan or in the valley, but his services are secured either for singing or for lecturing. He er refuses a call; he is ready to serve his Church any capacity, no matter how ssing his business interests ressing The Northwestern States mis-

ion has secured in Mr. Ballard a very ble president and through the co-operation of the elders with him there be made one of the most desirable for elders to go to Mr. Ballard is pro-gressive and able to make it such nd there is no reason why it should

NORTHERN STATES MISSION NOTES

Southern Indiana Conference finshed its country work for the 1908 on Nov. 7. The elders gather Petersburg, Pike county, and held their though the preceding week was election it was spent by the elders in tracting through the country and holding meetings. The night before election each pair of elders held an open hir how greatly the Lord has prospered

hearing it their hearts have been turn-ed to us, causing many friends to raise up from all sides. It seems as though the people are becoming more and more suspectible to the gospel truths. And truly we know that a good work has been done for the work of the Master. To keep the people warm in the faith the elders have now been sent out in the different cities to continue the good work already done. The desire is always to leave the Book of Mormon, because those who have it read it, also to leave tracts among the people and hold cottage meetings. The Milwaukee branch is well in line with the work, having a and more suspectible to the gospel among the The Milwaukee branch is meetings. The Milwaukee branch is well in line with the work, having a progressive Relief society and an en-thusiastic Mutual Improvement asso-the members are working

hard in search of truth. A word might be said of the good work being done by the bureau of in-formation in Salt Lake City. As we

have met many who in their travels in the west have gone to Salt Lake City and with the treatment they received there, cannot forget the good time they had. Have heard such remarks as these "The visit to Salt Lake City was the gem of all our trip," and "The work of the people of Utah seems next to the work of the Lord."—President D.

A. Latimer. Michigan Conference—Since May 1 the elders of the Michigan conference have been earnestly and successfulby prosecuting the cross country work, and though but little has been said of our work in this conference we want the readers of the "News" to know that the Lord has a band of faithful

workers in Michigan and that their ef-forts to spread the gospel truths are being crowned with success. While it has not been our privilege to lead many into the waters of baptism yet a many into the waters of baptish yet a great amount of prejudice has been al-layed and friends are being made on every hand. During the summer's campaign we have traversed almost the entire southern peninsula and with few exceptions the elders have travel-ed without purse or scrip. The peo-ple are hospitable and liberal in their views and while converts come rather slow at present we believe that the seeds that are being sown by our faith-ful elders will terminate in a bounte-ous work for the future workers. A summary of the summer's work shows the feature scripts a space our spring the following results, since our spring conference which was held March 5, and 6: 1,224 Books of Mormon sold, 5,492 smaller doctrinal books, 28,402 tracts distributed, 27,431 families visited, 3,656 revisited and 706 meetings held. On Nov. 7 and 8, the 16 elders net at Kalamazoo in conference. Two impressive and soul inspiring priest-hood meetings were held Sunday in the source the Masonic tample the partors of the Masonic temple. Strong testimonles were borne by the elders and many interesting experi-ences were related. President G. E. Ellsworth commended the elders for many them

their faithfulness and spoke many words of cheer, exhorting hem to be diligent in keep-ing the commandments of God and in discharging the duties devolving upon them as men holding the priesthood. With the inspiration and encouragement gained at our confernce, we are determined not to slacker

your efforts; but will push the good work under the new plans with as much vim as we have the country work. The Lord has indeed blessed us during the summer season and we hope to merit greater blessings in the future .- J. C. Roberts, Conf. Pre West Iowa-It may be of interest the readers of the "News" to know

this morning. The visiting brethren leave on the The visiting brethren leave on the 9 p. m. train for South Texas where they will hold conference. The clders leave here tomorrow to make a house to house canvass of different districts of the country.

The last meeting of the elders was held

The efforts of the saints in different localities in regard to the building of houses of worship is very gratifying. We have two buildings under headway at present one at Galvez the other at Pride. Four Sunday schools are now in operation one being just lately organized at Pride.

As a rule the elders are treated very As a rule the eners are treated very well. The people we meet are a Bible reading people and in a great many places where the first elders that la-bored in this state could not even pass through without receiving ill treatment

bored in this state could not even pass through without receiving ill treatment, we are now given full sway and are reaping the fruit of a well cultivated garden in which seed was sown by the hands of the elders of early days h the history of the Louisiana conference We feel to say God bless them, who have paved the way for us, for their reward is great. Accompanying this is a photo of our

Accompanying this is a photo conference workers which Mrs. nan 809 Canal street, New O Orleans has furnished free. The firm is a friend to the elders. The "News" is very much appreci-

ated among the elders and saints of this conference and all wish it success SAMUEL J. ORME.

BAPTISMS IN FOREIGN MISSION FIELDS

On Sunday morning, Nov. 8, a bap-tismal service was held in the Westgate public baths, Newcastle. After the opening exercises, Elder L. S. Meecham gave a very convincing talk on the essentiality, mode, and object of bap-tism, after which one convert was led into the water and baptized by Elder Stayner Richards. The new member was confirmed at the water's edge. number of saints and friends of

Manchester branch met together at 11 a. m. on Sunday, Nov. 8, 1908, at the Leaf Street baths, Manchester, to witness a baptismal service. Elders C. A. Duke and J. M. Thomas spoke upon the sacred ordinance, after which two converts from Macclesfield were baptized by Elder James E. Burns and one convert from Rochdale by Elder Julian M. Thomas. The confirmations took place at the evening meeting. A baptismal service was conducted at Deseret," South Tottenham, London, on Sunday, Nov. 8, when another mem-ber was added to the Church. President Alvin E. Jordan administered the

A baptismal service was held at the Roman baths, Bath (Bristol confer-ence), Nov. 7, 1908, when three mem-bers were added to the Swindon branch, Elders John H. Bawden and John Minson officiating. Confirmations took place at the baths, immediately after .-- Millennial Star.

Baptismal service was held at the Townhead Baths, Glasgow (Scottish conference), Sunday, November 1st. About 50 saints and friends congregated at the baths to witness the ceremoney. A very nice service was held, during which President J. G. Johnson and Elder A. Z. Richards spoke briefly on the necessity, object occupied the time: Paora Hapi on in-and mode of baptism. Four souls cidents of the Book of Mormon; Elder

ence, which was accompanied by the usual scenes of festivities, good cheer and hospitality of the Maoris.

The forenoon was spent in a school meeting. The conference proper begun at 2 p. m. Prest. Hardy took charge of the various services, and was the first speaker. The singing was conducted by Elder E. P. Pectol and was

n the native tongue. Elder Charles Despain, president, reported the district in fa-vorable condition. Since the April con-ference, 12 baptisms have been per-formed, four childron blessed, and four deaths recorded.

Elder E. P. Pectol spoke on spirituaal gifts and the value and aims of the schools established among the Maoris by the Latter-day Saints.

Whare Kura spoke on the blessings of God to this people, and the rapid growth of the Church among them. Matetu was desirous of seeing his old branch, Waiwhara, again reorgan-

The second session, begun at 7:30 in the evening, saw the house filled to its capacity.

For this and the three subsequent essions, the school children furnished the singing. Following is a list of Eng lish songs memorized by the children and sung during the various sessions: "Waiting for the reapers' sickles," "Waiting for the reapers' sickles," "Touch not, taste not, handle not," "Sweet summer's gone away," "Let us oft speak kind words," "Where is now ht speak kind words, "Redeemer of Is-the merry party?" "Redeemer of Is-rael," "Classmates' song," "Ere you left your room this morning," "We eft your room this morning," "We thank Thee, O God for a prophet," "Earth with her ten thousand flowers," "In our lovely Deseret," "Welcome elcome, Sabbath morning," "Sing W how at parting" and "Good-bye, good-bye, we hope again to meet you." The oldest child is not over 15 years of age and all have had less than thre years in our school, while some who have known no other school than this

one are doing fourth grade work, Two of the boys aged 15 and 13 respectively boldly came forward and for their firs time talked to the audience in the English language. The first, Te Rua Raima, gave the history of the Ne-phites from the warning of the Jews by Lehl until the burial of the gold plate. by Moroni. The second, Abraham Rarere, told the story of Joseph Smith from his birth until his martyrdom.

Tematenga Waltaniwha, president of the Nuhaka branch, spoke of the great good the elders were doing among them. Compared some of their old traditions with the teachings of the Bible, showing a marked similarity Elder H. D. Haight gave a few encouraging remarks for the school and explained a portion of the writings of King Benjamin in the Book of Mormon Ngato Karongaroa and Hami Raren bore faithful testimonies, urged all to be faithful, to stop drinking and help the children in the path of truth. Elder W. W. Taylor bore his testimony in the Maori language. Benediction Timi Paraone.

Funeral services over the body of a young man, were conducted Sunday morning by Elder C. W. Despain. President Hardy beautifully portraying death, the conditions beyond the grave and the resurrection.

At 10:30 Sunday the third session of the conference began with a good attendance. After the usual devoattendance. After the usual devo-tional exercises the following speakers occupied the time: Paora Hapi on in-

Manti, Utah, Nov. 11, 1908. Joseph F. Smith, Jr., Church ian's Office, Salt Lake City, Utah. Dear Brother-A sister here in Manti, has a genealogical record, and is very desirous of knowing if any one

has the same book and is doing work for the On the front page is the following: "A genealogical and historical regis-ter of the descendants of Edward Mor-ris of Roxbury, Mass, and Woodstock, Conn. Compiled by Jonathan Flynt

Morris I give you this thinking it will aid you in searching for it. Shall be very thankful for any information you car

give. CLARA E. FARNSWORTH, Manti, Utah. Box 35.

PEARSON OR PIERSON.

Elder Parley L. Pierson, of Plymouth, Utah, desires to correspond with any who can help him to secure the geneaogy of one Abraham Pierson or Pear son, a clergyman, born in Yorkshire, England, 1608, and who died at Newark, New Jersey, on the 9th of Aug. 1678

MORE, DAVIES AND OTHER. FAMILIES

Elder Edwin I. Davies, of Murray, Utah, writes a very interesting letter to this department, in which he tells us that he has obtained a copy of us that he has obtained a copy of the More Parish Register, Salop, Eng. More parish is about 18 miles south-west of Shrewsbury, bordering on Montgomeryshire, North Wales, and the More parish is close to the ances-tral home of the ancient More family. The first of this ancient line was Adam de la More, who was lord of the moon in William the Conqueror's day, having come over with that famous Norman to asist in conquering the Danes. The Shropshire society, which published this register, was organized in 1898, for the purpose of publishing all the old hurch registers of Salop county from the beginning to the year 1812. As there were no such records prior to about the tenth century, it will be seen that there are not many centuries to cover. But the work to be done, nev-ertheless is enormous. And it glad-dens the hearts of the Latter-day Saints to know that the Lord is in-suiring these wealthy men in formize spiring these wealthy men in foreign countries to take up this splendid we



DAVIS FAMILY.

Singularly enough, the following in-

RAFSTEN FAMILY.

Is there anyone in the Church doing work for the Rafsten family? asks an indefinite person. This is a sample of some inquiries sent here. Why don't he person who thus asks give his own name, address, and the country where the Rafsten family lived? This is too ndefinite almost for answering.

If you suffer from constipation and liver trouble Foley's Orino Laxative will cure you permanently by stimulating the digestive organs so they will act naturally. Foley's Orino Laxative does not gripe, is pleasant to take and you do not have to take laxatives con-tinually after taking Orino. Why con-tinue to be the siave of pills and tab-lets. F. J. Hill Drug Co., "The Never Substitutors." Substitutors."

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Boys who intend canvassing for subscribers for the Christmas News canget order blanks an dadvertising matter at the circulator's window. Here is an easy way to make some Holiday money. Come at once. Do not delay.



