

## MISSIONARY MATTERS.

The mail which left Liverpool on the evening of Saturday, June 17th, arrived here at 3 o'clock this morning, being less than ten and a half days in transit. Among the papers received was the *Millennial Star* of June 19, which contains several items regarding missionary work that will prove interesting to Utah people. Two announcements of holding conference in the British mission are made, the meeting of the Scottish conference to be in Glasgow on Sunday, July 9, and of the Leeds conference to be in Bradford on Sunday, July 16.

## ARRIVALS.

The Gulon steamer Alaska, which arrived in Liverpool on June 13th, brought the following brethren for the British Mission: Elder Anthon H. Lund, of Ephraim; Henry M. Dinwoodey, of Salt Lake City; and Israel Bale, of Nephi. Accompanying these brethren were Dr. J. E. Talmage, Bishop John Tingey, Mrs. Henry M. Dinwoodey, Mrs. Israel Bale, Mrs. Sarah Cherrill, and Mrs. Jane Hansen, of Salt Lake City; and Job Pingree, wife and daughter, of Ogden.

## RELEASES AND APPOINTMENTS.

Elder Alfreð Solomon, who has had charge of the European Mission, in the absence of President Brigham Young, has been released from his labors, and left for his home in Salt Lake City, on the Alaska, June 17. All correspondence relating to the business of the European Mission should be addressed in future to Anthon H. Lund, 42 Islington, Liverpool.

Elder Joseph Quinley has been honorably released from his labors in the Liverpool office, and left for his home in Logan, Utah, on the Alaska, June 17.

Elder Albert C. Young, the president of the Manchester conference, owing to sickness in his family and financial troubles, has found it necessary to return home, and he has been honorably released, and sailed on the Alaska June 17.

Elder Robert Aveson is released from his labors as traveling Elder in the Leeds conference and is appointed to preside over the Manchester conference.

Elder John Burrows is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Birmingham conference.

Elder George Thomas is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Welsh Conference.

Elder Orson P. Hoggan is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Scottish Conference.

Elder John W. Cook is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Newcastle Conference.

Elder Henry M. Dinwoodey is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the London Conference.

Elder Israel Bale is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Nottingham Conference.

Elder Oliver Hodgson is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Leeds Conference.

Elder F. W. Simmons is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the Sheffield Conference.

## CHANGE IN PRESIDENCY.

Elder Anthon H. Lund, of the

Twelve Apostles, who has been appointed by the First Presidency of the Church to the presidency of the European mission, and has entered upon the duties of his position, in giving council to the Elders in the field on the subject of missionary duties, has the following to say in the *Star*:

"I recommend to the brethren engaged in the ministry a careful perusal of President George Q. Cannon's excellent article on the length of missions, which appears in this issue. I met this question on the first day of my arrival. It seems that the brethren have it fixed in their minds that a mission means just two years. While this has been the average length of missions in the past, and I have not learned that any change in this matter is contemplated by President Woodruff, it should be borne in mind that no definite length of time has been fixed for a mission. Some Elders have performed honorable missions of only a few months' duration, and others have been called to fill missions that have required their absence from home four years and even longer. The brethren should let the question of time recede to the background, and let the question of how much good, devoted labor can be performed during a mission, come to the front and engage their whole attention. If this course is followed, the time spent on a mission will seem but short, while a different course will make the mission seem unbearably long. Let each of us try to be an example in diligence, in patience, in long-suffering, and in all the gifts and graces of the Gospel, to all men, that our words may be the word of the Lord unto the people; then will the time spent on our mission be the happiest period of our lives."

The article referred to, which is taken from the *Juvenile Instructor*, is as follows:

"The president of a mission was speaking to us the other day in relation to an idea which has become very prevalent among the Elders concerning the duration of their missions. It seems to be the opinion of many that when they have been absent two years they should be released to return home, and some feel if they are detained beyond that time, that it is more than should be required of them. This president had occasion to say to an Elder, whose circumstances were such as to make his return almost a necessity, that when two years were expired he thought he ought to be released. Another Elder was present at this conversation, and when he afterwards was required to stay a little longer than his fellow-laborer, he felt as though he was being imposed upon; and yet his family at home was well situated, and there was not the least necessity for him to hurry home.

"We think this impression that two years is the limit of time that Elders ought to be required to stay on missions is not a good one, and it should not be fostered in their minds. Circumstances might require them to stay for a longer period, as it might be an injury to the mission and a serious disadvantage to release them earlier. We have known of cases where it has been necessary for Elders to stay three years, and sometimes longer, and in

thus remaining they were able to perform an excellent work, sometimes accomplishing in the last year of labor more than they had done in all the time previously.

"When Elders are called to go on missions they should make up their minds that they will remain as long as it may be deemed necessary for the good of the work. A judicious president of a mission will not neglect his fellow-servants, and will not impose burdens upon them which they should not carry. He, especially when he meets with other Elders in conference, is in a position to judge as to the propriety of making releases, and an Elder should be quite content to stay until the spirit indicates that he can be spared to return home. There is reason to believe that the usefulness of many has been impaired by their getting the idea that at the expiration of two years they must be released. Such a feeling should not be encouraged."

## FATAL ACCIDENT.

HUNTINGTON, Emery County, Utah, June 26th, 1893. — There was a sad accident happened to a very promising young man of this place last Saturday evening, which resulted in his death this afternoon. Thomas G. Loveless, son of Hyrum and Eliza Loveless, was out on the Cedar mountain, about twenty-five miles east of this place, along with several men rounding up cattle. Tommy, as he was familiarly called, was after an unruly steer that tried to break away from the herd. When he was about to get in ahead of the animal it dodged in ahead of his horse, when horse and rider both went to the ground. Tommy was thrown with great force, alighting on the side of his head. His companions picked him up for dead. One of the party happened to have a light conveyance close at hand, in which a couple of his friends brought Tommy home, arriving there about 2 p. m. Sunday morning. A doctor was sent for but he could do nothing for him. He remained unconscious unto the end. It is a severe trial to his parents and relatives and the host of friends that he had, for everybody liked him. He was 16 years of age last January.

This afternoon Brother Jens Nielson, a prominent citizen of this place, met with a serious misfortune. While he was away at Price, and his wife visiting a neighbor at a birthday reception, the children made a fire in the stove and went off and left it. By some means that will never be accounted for the house caught fire and it with its contents was burned to the ground. Everything they had, clothing, bedding, furniture, provisions, sewing machine and all were destroyed, not even a bucket left. They had to send to the store to buy one before they could milk their cows. Much sympathy is felt for Brother Nielson and his family.

Yours truly, WM. HOWARD.

MRS. LEASE, who divides with ex-Senator Ingalls the honor of being the favorite son of Kansas, told a Chicago audience last Sunday that there was not enough gold to fill the decayed teeth of the old women in America.