

were present of the Apostles Elder Francis M. Lyman, also President A. Hatch, of the Wasatch Stake; the Stake presidency, members of the High Council, Bishops and counselors, and other leading men of the Stake and a fair attendance of Saints from various parts of the Stake.

The conference commenced Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Elder Lyman addressed the Saints upon the necessity and propriety of beautifying our homes and surroundings, but in all we do let us first seek the kingdom of God, and the things thereunto pertaining. This is the only Church in all Christendom that lays claim to revelation, and this people will never be without a Prophet to lead and direct them. We should repent of our sins from day to day until we learn to sin no more, and are able to subvert our will and desires to the will of our Father which art in heaven. Bishop C. A. Madsen of Gunnison made reference to the indifference manifested by many who profess to be Saints by thought if those who are placed in responsible positions in the Church would be more faithful in the discharge of their duties a great deal of this indifference would cease to exist.

In the afternoon Elder Wm. H. Seegmiller reported the condition of the Stake; generally speaking things are prosperous; quorums and associations are doing well, the educational interests are advancing, the Sunday school work is in a progressive condition and much good is being done in this direction. We are in a better condition at present financially than than we were two years ago. Steps are being taken looking to the building of reservoirs and storing of water, in order that in the future we may have sufficient water wherewith to mature our crops; the contributions to the Pioneer Monument fund are coming in slowly. Elders Wm. H. Clark and Joseph S. Horne admonished the people to be more thoughtful and diligent in all their operations and doings in order to be more successful, advising the storing of breadstuffs for use in times of need. Elder A. Hatch said he had been pleased to listen to the good reports and sayings we had heard here today, complimented the people upon what they had accomplished here; in passing through Salina many years ago he only saw a few houses and they were very poor and the contrast between then and now is very striking; this same spirit of progress is noticeable everywhere among the Saints.

At 6 o'clock p. m. a meeting of the Priesthood was held at which many questions were asked and answered and some valuable instructions given by Elder Lyman, who proposed that Brother Chas. N. Smith be ordained a Patriarch in this Stake. Sustained by those present.

Sunday morning. — Elder Simon Christensen presented the general Church and Stake authorities, with the following change: Brother Charles N. Smith, of Monroe ward, was sustained a Patriarch in this Stake, and Brother Wm. A. Seegmiller was sustained as superintendent of Sunday schools in the Stake, with Morten Jensen as his first and Magnus C. Nielsen as his second assistant; all the voting was unanimous. Elder F.

M. Lyman said that while it was proper and right for us as Saints to divide on political lines, yet we should be united in all things as regards matters pertaining to our holy religion. Although we as a people have ceased to practice plural marriage, yet every man is under sacred obligation to support and care for his family, and the man who under cover and license of law will cast off his wife and offspring to the buffeting of a cold world will be damned. In referring to the political situation Elder Lyman warned the people against the usual bitterness generally manifested in political campaign work. In reference to the social condition of the world the speaker said that while people outside of the Church generally advocate small families or no families at all, he wished it distinctly understood that any course taken by man or woman to lessen their families or prevent their growth is wrong and is instigated by the devil and will if persisted in lead to degradation and ruin. Gambling is a crime for any Latter-day Saint to indulge in and should not be tolerated in our midst.

At 1:30 p. m. the conference was continued, the Sacrament being administered by the Priesthood of Salina ward. Elder Hatch encouraged the Saints to contribute liberally to the Pioneer monument fund in order to show our esteem and regard for President Brigham Young and the noble band of pioneers who came here and made it possible for us to enjoy the blessings we are surrounded with. The speaker sought to impress upon the minds of the Saints the necessity of forming and maintaining a good character. Elder Wm. M. Palmer addressed the Saints upon the first principles of the Gospel, and compared them with the man-made dogmas of the world. Elder F. M. Lyman said that the building of a monument to the memory of Brigham Young and the Pioneers should receive the hearty support of every Latter-day Saint it will only require about twenty-five cents from each member of the Church to pay for it. It is the duty of every member of the Church to attend meetings and partake of the Sacrament and those who neglect this are neglecting a very important duty; every Latter-day Saint who refuses to partake of the Sacrament is committing a sin and is condemned in the sight of God. The speaker urged very strongly upon the minds of the Saints to seek after and obtain their Patriarchal blessings, and admonished the Patriarchs to live exemplary lives in order that they may enjoy the spirit of their office and calling; and concluded his remarks by asking the blessings of God to rest upon the Saints to the extent that they may maintain their integrity to the truth and be saved and exalted in the kingdom of God.

Conference adjourned for three months. SIMON CHRISTENSEN, Stake Clerk.

WILLIAM SEELEY DEAD.

After years of suffering, during which the end has often been looked for, at the ripe old age of over four score, the spirit of ex-Bishop William S. Seeley winged its flight to the beyond last

Monday evening at 10 o'clock. Expected so long, the demise came with little surprise, and yet there is scarcely a home in Sanpete county where the event was not announced with more or less reverence. And that is but proper, for Bishop Seeley has been a noted counselor among his people and succeeded in winning their esteem and confidence. Even among the Indians he was revered as no other white man. The immediate cause of his death was congestion of the liver, superinduced by senility.

The good words and kind remembrances about Mr. Seeley are not confined to the Mormons, for he was a true man among men, and deep respect comes from all hearts. He has been identified with the history and interests of Mount Pleasant from its early settlement, and was always a trusted man. The deceased was born at Pickering, Upper Canada, on May 18, 1812. He was raised in the Dominion, and on December 3, 1836, was married to Elizabeth DeHart, who died some twenty years ago in this city of smallpox. In August, 1838, Mr. Seeley left Canada for Missouri, where he became a member of the Mormon Church, and was identified with its early troubles. He was on guard at the temple in Nauvoo when Joseph Smith was killed.

Mr. Seeley came to Utah in 1847, just behind the first party of pioneers, arriving in Salt Lake on September 29. Four years later he moved to Pleasant Grove and eight years later to Mount Pleasant, where, as soon as the ward was organized, he was chosen Bishop, which position he held for thirty-one years.

He was married in Salt Lake in April, 1857, to Ellen Jackson; in November, 1868, to Ann Watkins; in August, 1885, to Susanne Foster, all of whom survive him. By his first marriage he has six children living, by the second two children, and by the third two children. The late Washington Seeley was his brother and Mrs. Elizabeth Mayhew, of Pleasant Grove, is his sister.—Mount Pleasant Pyramid.

ALMY WIDOWS SUING.

RED CANYON, Wyo., Sept. 18, 1895.

The trial of the five widows' claim on the Rocky Mountain Coal & Iron Co. as a test case was taken into the third district court, Evanston, Uinta county, Wyoming, on the evening of the 18th instant. The attorney on both sides have been named, with the addition of Judge Brown, of Laramie, who joins Messrs. Clark and Beard as counsel for the company. As the court is occupied in the day department with the trial of Crocker, who is charged with the murder of Booth, the case of the widows is set for an evening examination.

At 7:30 p. m. the court opened and the case was taken up; and after about two hours close fighting, mostly between Judge Brown and Mr. Vandeventer, it was mutually arranged for the case to stand over for fifty days.

RICHARD R. HODGSON.

J. C. Nolan, of Santa Rosa, Cal., had his arm broken about the wrist by a coffin, which he was engaged in putting into a car, slipping and falling upon it.