

INDIAN TERRITORY MISSION.

At the reunion of the Indian Territory missionaries held Thursday in the Fifteenth ward meeting house there was a good showing of the Elders and a large number of their families and invited guests, including President Joseph F. Smith, Elders Brigham Young, Francis M. Lyman, George Teasdale and Heber J. Grant, of the quorum of the Apostles, Elder Elias Morris, Bishop of the Fifteenth ward, and other veterans in missionary work.

At 5 p.m. the people commenced to gather, and from then until 8 was spent in greeting and social conversation, during which time corn bread was passed around as a reminder of the food most plentiful in the Indian Territory.

Elder Joseph H. Felt then called the people to order and announced the program, the first being a hymn by the congregation.

Elder George B. Wallace offered the opening prayer, and the I. T. choir sang a favorite missionary hymn.

Elder Wm. T. Jack then read the "Roll of Honor," consisting of all the Elders who have labored as missionaries in the Indian Territory, eighty-five in all. Those present answered to their names, and where they were not present their representative responded, giving their relationship to the Elder.

An address of welcome was then delivered by Elder Joseph H. Felt, after which Elder Andrew Kimball gave a brief sketch of the Indian Territory mission from the time the Prophet Joseph Smith first preached to the Indians until the present.

Two Mormon Elders (Lorin C. Woolley and James N. Haslam) sang a familiar hymn.

Elder George Teasdale related some very interesting incidents in his labors in the Indian Territory and gave good instructions to those present.

An original poem was read by Elder J. J. Hill, relating an amusing incident in his labors as a missionary.

Elder Brigham Young then addressed the assemblage, relating his experience among different tribes of Indians, and expressing his interest in this branch of the house of Israel.

Prest. Joseph F. Smith said he was pleased with the character of the meeting and hoped this would not be the last of this kind, but that they would be continued. The speaker had labored among a branch of the house of Israel living in Hawaii. Referred to an account in the Book of Mormon of ships sailing out on the Pacific Ocean and never being heard from again. It is probable these carried the families who peopled the Pacific isles.

The I. T. choir then sang an original poem entitled "My Home in the West," and the sisters passed around refreshments. While the people were partaking of the good things provided, the question of continuing these gatherings was considered and a standing committee of nine was selected, as follows: A. Kimball, Jos. H. Felt, F. B. Woodbury, Jed. W. Ashton, James N. Haslam, from the city, and from other parts, George Teasdale, H. M. Rawlins, M. W. Dalton and Ammon Green.

Elder Francis M. Lyman then made some very interesting remarks, referring to his labors as a missionary among the Lamanites.

Elder Heber J. Grant said he felt that a time would come when a great work will be done among the Lamanites. He had met many remarkable men among the Indian tribes. He had also labored among the Indians, although not in the Indian Territory.

Elder A. Kimball made a few remarks, stating the condition of the Indian Territory mission at present.

The choir sang, "Come let us anew," and benediction was pronounced by Elder Wm. Bricker.

CHURCH PROPERTY MATTERS.

In the Supreme court on Saturday the petition of Colonel J. R. Winder, receiver of the property of the late corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, to be allowed to make repairs at the Gardo House in the sum of \$1,000 was allowed, as this amount was absolutely necessary to put the building in a proper condition.

Colonel Winder was formally appointed receiver for the Perpetual Emigration Fund company, with the same bonds as given by the late receiver, H. W. Lawrence.

Clerk Jos. P. Bache, as examiner of the report of ex-Receiver Lawrence in the Church case, reported that he had found the same correct. The period covers the time between January 10, 1894, up to and including August 31 last, when the present receiver was appointed. On the 7th of September, 1894, the amount held by Receiver John R. Winder was \$14,081.91. The total receipts during the time covered by the report amounted to \$3,362.81, and the expenditures to \$1,219.70, of which sum \$874.95 was spent in painting and repairing the Gardo House, and the balance on other property in the hands of the receiver, water taxes for the Gardo House, and compensation for book keeper for the receiver, which sum has been reduced to \$10 per month; the receipts thus showing an excess over disbursements for the period of eight months of \$2,143.11.

The receiver was allowed \$75 per month as compensation during said term and Mr. John A. Marshall \$50 per month as attorney's fees.

As no expense had been incurred in this examination, the examiner was allowed \$25 for his services.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

HEBER CITY, Utah, Oct. 1, 1894.

It was snowing hard this morning at this place, and we feel it to be very unpleasant for those out in the mountains, especially our sisters as missionaries to Uintah, who were expected at this place last evening, but they are in good company, Brother Brown, of Charleston, being in charge of the party.

Yesterday we had an excellent time with the Sunday school in the nice tabernacle here. The children enjoyed the illustrated lecture with the hill Cumorah, also Joseph Smith receiving the plates containing the history of ancient America, Carthage jail, etc. In the afternoon and evening lectures were enjoyed. Out of about 400 persons present in the afternoon there were six males and two females who saw the Prophet Joseph

Smith, and in the evening seven males and three females out of an audience of about 700 who had seen him. Truly they who saw the Prophet are getting scarce.

Heber City is in a lovely valley of the mountains—a little world to itself. The population is about 2,000. The altitude is 5,440 feet. Notwithstanding many inconveniences there is a happy, striving people here; many of them are getting rich.

At Snyderville, some nineteen miles north of there in Parley's Park, where we called on our way to this place, is still higher up in the mountains and has an elevation of about 7,000 feet. Yet there also there are many happy homes. There is where Elder P. P. Pratt accompanied by Elder J. L. Workman, explored in our early days, built a log house on Spring creek, and afterward sold it for a yoke of oxen. Now the place is valued at \$300,000. For a small piece of it \$50,000 is asked.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

GOOD REPORT FROM PANACCA.

C. P. Ronnow, superintendent of the co-operative store at Panacca, Lincoln county, Nevada, is in the city for Conference. He reports Panacca and vicinity as in a thriving condition. Crops have been good this season, and the people are feeling well. The town from which Brother Ronnow hails is the largest in that section. It is yet far removed from the railway, the nearest point being Milford, on the Union Pacific, 110 miles distant. There is no immediate prospect of the railway from the south being built.

Forty miles westward, with a slight bearing to the south, is the Ferguson mining district, recent developments in which give bright hopes for the future of that section. Pioche is very dull and Bullionville is dead, says Mr. Ronnow. Panacca lies on the direct route from Milford to the Ferguson district, where the De Lamar mill is to be constructed. The old Monitor claims have been secured by the new company and promise to prove a very rich property. The starting of the mill will afford to the people in and around Panacca a good market for their produce. The lumber for the mill is principally brought from Oregon, and is hauled 150 miles by team from Milford. There are saw-mills within thirty-five miles of the mill, and the product of these is used as far as possible. Actual construction has not commenced yet, but the mill site is being cleared and building will be begun as quickly as possible.

FOR THE RELIEF SOCIETIES.

In order to secure an accurate method of keeping the accounts of Relief Societies, and at the same time save much labor, Elmer L. J. Nuttall, who is extensively known for his labors in the cause of the societies, has prepared an account book that has just been issued by George Q. Cannon & Sons Publishing company, Salt Lake City. It will be found exceedingly useful and convenient for the treasurers of the societies. It contains two parts, one for receipts and one for disbursements, and should be secured at once, in order that the records of