

Elder ORSON PRATT addressed the conference. He expressed his pleasure at once more seeing the face and hearing the voice of President Young in General Conference, and spoke of the manner in which the world had been flooded with every kind of falsehood and misrepresentation concerning the Latter-day Saints. The cause of this was that God had commenced to build up his kingdom, which was never to be destroyed, and all hell was boiling over in consequence. He commented on the positive knowledge possessed by the Latter-day Saints that the kingdom of God would be ultimately triumphant, and that no opposition from any source could possibly destroy it. The people of God enjoyed peace under all circumstances, for peace was in their hearts. They did not harbor feelings of malice toward those who persecuted them, but desired that all should repent and be saved.

Elder ALBERT CARRINGTON addressed the assemblage on the emigration of the poor. He was exceedingly anxious that the Lord's poor should be gathered as speedily as possible. Those who had had opportunities in the past of gathering and had neglected to take advantage of them should by no means be among the first to receive assistance. He expressed the same opinion concerning those who felt lukewarm and indifferent about the work of God; but with the faithful poor among the nations it was different. Those who had been assisted to emigrate and been prospered should let no consideration deter them from settling their obligations to the P. E. Fund, and they should not stop at that, but should extend a helping hand to their poor brethren abroad. Elder Carrington spoke of people living in Utah who had borrowed money from Saints in the old countries, with a promise to refund with interest, but who had neglected to fulfil their agreements. All thus indebted should pay such debts at once. He thought it would be a good thing for all means that might be applied to emigrating the poor to be used in helping those who were entirely destitute. People sending means to assist their friends or relatives should not fail to remit before the 1st of September.

Elder A. CARRINGTON presented the names of the following brethren who were called to go on missions, by unanimous vote:

To Europe—Thomas W. Jennings.  
To the States—George Pierce, Lyone, Edward Stevenson, S. L. City, Nathan T. Porter, Centreville.  
Home Missionary—Joseph A. Young, Salt Lake City.

The choir sang:

"When the Lord shall build up Zion."

Adjourned till 2 p.m.

Prayer by Elder JOHN TAYLOR.

2 p. m.

"Hark! the song of jubilee,  
Loud as mighty thunders roar,"

was sung by the choir.

Prayer by Elder WILFORD WOODRUFF.

The choir sang:

"Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,  
Uttered or unexpressed."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

President BRIGHAM YOUNG addressed the Conference on the necessity for the Saints to prepare themselves before they would be ready to receive the glorious blessings the Almighty had in store for them. He spoke also of circumstances connected with the past history of the church, showing their usefulness in enabling the people to gain necessary lessons of experience. He treated upon co-operation, emigration, and a variety of other subjects.

President GEO. A. SMITH gave some excellent advice to those brethren who had been called to be home missionaries. He advised them to be generally brief in their remarks, and when they commenced to speak to enter directly upon their subject and not waste time in making preliminary excuses, &c. The speaker alluded to some advice which the prophet Joseph once gave him as he was about to start on a mission—to preach short sermons, make short prayers and deliver his discourses with a prayerful heart. He had benefitted greatly by following this advice.

President Smith expressed his intense gratification that in the providences of God President Young was enabled to attend the General Conference. He (President Smith) had fully determined to adjourn Conference from one Sunday to another until President Young could attend, if it had to be prolonged until next October. President Smith closed

his discourse by bearing testimony that the Latter-day Saints were engaged in the work of God and that the day would come when righteousness and peace would spread over all the world.

President Smith stated that when the names of the authorities were presented to the Conference to be sustained, the name of Jacob Gates was omitted until a matter of business with which he was connected should be inquired into and settled. Since then Brother Gates had been communicated with and there now remained no doubt that the matter in question would be amicably adjusted. The name of Brother Gates was then presented to the Conference as one of the first Seven Presidents of the Seventies. The vote to sustain him was unanimous.

President BRIGHAM YOUNG said:

To answer the feelings and wishes of brethren and sisters I will say a few words with regard to our temporal business, or the conduct of those who have been with us as officials, and our condition. There is a good many want to ask the question: "Brother Brigham, what is going to be done with you now?" I hope to see the time that I can have the privilege of proving before a court of justice my situation and condition, and if there is anything that can be proved against me I want to have it proved. Perhaps some of you recollect, just previous to this eruption taking place, that I made a statement in this stand, that I was at the defiance of the whole world to bring anything against my moral character. I am to-day, at the defiance of the world to prove anything in truth against my moral character. I happened to make this remark, I think, the Sunday before I heard there was a writ for me for murder. Folly in the extreme! I have talked with the prosecuting attorney of the Territory of Utah. If he wishes to know my feelings on the subject I will tell them here: Prosecute every one of these cases that have been presented before this illegal court, present them to a legal court, and try every man by the law of the land, and see where it will land us—every one, myself not excepted. Now hear it, O ye inhabitants of the earth. Permit me to say one thing more. I make this request of the Prosecuting Attorney for the United States, and also the Territorial Attorney, that they preserve intact the records of the District Courts that have been held for a year and a half past, for future history. I sincerely hope they will not be destroyed. What do you say to this, Congregation, is it true and right, every body? (Congregation answered, "Yes.") Well then, manifest it by lifting your right hand. (All hands up). If any of you think it is wrong you have the same privilege. (Vote unanimous.) Keep the records, preserve the history of the people, the doings of kings, emperors, potentates, presidents and judges and see how they will read. Keep the history of this people, of the Christian nations, and of all that live, and see how it looks. There is another place where there is a record kept, it is very true, but suppose we assist in keeping this record that we may have corresponding proof and testimony to show that we are a people of record as well here as above.

Elder WILFORD WOODRUFF was the next speaker. The Spirit of God had borne record to the First Presidency, the Twelve and the elders generally that we should be delivered from the hands of our enemies, and the Spirit of the Lord never lied; hence we were enabled to listen to the voice of our President to-day. The leaders of this people had been constantly inspired by revelation from God.

The speaker prophesied, in the name of Israel's God, that the church would never be without a law giver from that time henceforth and forever.

On motion of President B. YOUNG Conference adjourned till the 6th day of next October, at 10 a.m., to meet in the New Tabernacle.

The choir sang:

"Great is the Lord."

President BRIGHAM YOUNG pronounced the following

BENEDICTION.

I bless you in the name of Jesus Christ, as Apostles, with all that pertains to you; as High Priests, as Seventies, as Elders, as Bishops, as Priests, Teachers and Deacons. I bless you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I bless you, my brethren and sisters, you that are parents, also the children. I bless you as musicians, as a choir to make music for us, and those who play on instruments. And I bless you strangers, and say unto you, peace be to you as well as to the Saints, in good words, in good actions, in a good life to serve the Lord our God. I crave blessings upon the good everywhere, among all nations, kindreds, tongues, peoples, sects and parties, wherever the honest and the pure in heart are found, God bless them; and I say peace to you from henceforth and for ever, Amen.

JOHN NICHOLSON,  
Clerk of Conference.

SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.

## By Telegraph.

NEW YORK, 26.—Helmhold's drug store and fixtures were sold to-day at Sheriff's sale.

Revs. Calhoun and Jessup, missionaries in Syria, telegraph that Antioch and villages are destroyed, the survivors are perishing, contributions are needed.

Paron Stevens, the well-known hotel-keeper, died last night.

The *World* says Chas. Francis Adams would be endorsed with spontaneous and hearty plaudits and universal acclamation by the Democratic party.

The *Tribune* says editorially, "We regret the reason for stating that the administration has already abandoned its attitude in the Alabama case, that the secretary of State has written to Schenck expressing his regret at the misunderstanding concerning the claims for indirect damages."

The details of the murder of Stevenson, Clive and Dutro on the railway train near Holden, Mo., yesterday, by a mob, show it to be one of the most diabolical outrages ever committed in Missouri, the bodies of the victims being riddled with balls and then dragged out of the cars and thrown on the side of the track. Great excitement prevails through the country. The perpetrators of this massacre claim that they have a thousand men in their organization.

WASHINGTON, 26.—The Senate Committee on Territories have about concluded consideration of the bill to prevent polygamy in Utah. The features are partially the same as those contained in the Voorhees' bill now under consideration in the House Committee on Judiciary. It permits the courts to proceed against Mormons who practice polygamy, and makes the fact of cohabitation and acknowledgment of marriage sufficient for conviction. The bill will shortly be reported to the Senate for the purpose of having it printed.

WASHINGTON, 26.—The Senate has confirmed Elisha P. Terry, Gov. of Washington Territory.

NEW YORK, 26.—At a meeting of the Methodist Book Committee to-day, an expert appointed to examine the accounts of the Book concern, made a report which it is stated tends to bear out the allegations of fraud in the bindery department.

The mercury in the shade stands among the eighties, in the sun rising to a hundred.

The long talked of fight between Mace and O'Baldwin is to come off in Virginia within 60 days after the date of the signing of the articles.

The *Times*' Washington special says the recent sensational dispatch regarding the indirect damages are without authority and substantially untrue. Pecuniary damages were never expected, but the question should be decided.

TORONTO, 26.—Fort Garry dispatches report the discovery of valuable silver mines, said to exceed in richness the Silver Islet mines.

MEMPHIS, 26.—Dr. Wm. Dameron, to-day shot Bennett Johns dead in the street, for the alleged seduction of his wife.

HOLDEN, Mo.—There is the greatest excitement here to-night on account of repeated threats from Cass County. Several suspicious characters have been seen within a few miles from the town. It is not known what moment there may be an attack. There are a number of patrols in different parts of the town. The inhabitants will defend their homes to the utmost. W. B. Nichols, one of the alleged band of ruffians, lives here, also about twenty-five of his bandmen.

POUGHKEEPSIE, 26.—Thermometer is 88 in the shade.

WASHINGTON, 27.—In the Senate committee on Pacific railways the general feeling is in favor of compelling the Union Pacific R. R. to pro rate for freight with the Kansas Pacific after deducting the extra expenses incurred by the transportation of goods over the mountainous parts of the road between Cheyenne and Ogden.

ST. LOUIS, 27.—The *Cherokee Advocate*, official organ of the Cherokee nation, asserts that the attacking party in the recent bloody affair at Going Snake Court house was the marshal's posse, and that the sheriff's guard did not fire until the prisoner on trial had been wounded.

ST. LOUIS, 27.—Gov. Brown to-day issued a proclamation, ordering the arrest of the Cass County mob which murdered Judge Stevenson and Clive and Dutro on the railroad train at Holden City on Wednesday and enjoining all law abiding citizens to aid in bringing the violators of law to justice.

SAN FRANCISCO, 26.—The St. Louis railroad party have arrived. They were received by Mayor Alvarado, the board of supervisors; the committee of one hundred and other citizens.

## FOREIGN.

PARIS, 25.—The Spanish mails have not arrived to-day. The *Univers* and *Liberte* announce that Carlos has crossed the frontier, and is now in Spain at the head of 10,000 men. The same journal says there is a perfect understanding between the Carlists and Republicans, the former to draw the troops into the open country and leave the towns defenseless against the Republicans, who are to rise against the government on the 1st of May in all parts of Spain. Only two Isabelist generals have as yet joined the insurrection. The French legitimists hold aloof.

NAPLES, 25.—The eruption of Vesuvius is of extraordinary violence. New craters are forming and streams of lava are pouring down the mountain in different directions.

LONDON, 25.—There was a long and acrimonious debate in the Commons this evening, on the course of the government in regard to the Dublin University tests bill. Fawcett precipitated the debate by moving an adjournment, in order to obtain the floor, and proceeded to criticize the course of the government in the matter as dilatory, &c. He charged that the government had, by threats of dissolution, constrained members who really favored the bill to decide between the bill and a liberal government; and concluded with a promise that if the government would name a specified day for consideration of the bill in the committee, its promoters would be satisfied.

Dr. Playfair, Liberal member for the Edinburgh and St. Andrew's universities, seconded Fawcett's motion, and expressed regret at the dangerous course of the government in inviting a ministerial crisis on so insignificant a question.

Bouverie, member for Kilmarnock, also Liberal, supported the motion. He reminded the government of the defeats it had lately suffered; admonished the ministers that the confidence of the house was already shaken; quoted an article from the *Daily News* of Monday last, announcing by way of a threat, that the government had determined to make the bill a test question; said it was scandalous that such information should first reach the house through a newspaper, and asked Gladstone if it came from a member of the Cabinet, and if so, whom?

Gladstone replied, complaining of the strange inaccuracies of the speakers. He admitted the government was pledged to take up the subject of education in Ireland, which pledge was unfulfilled for want of time; and denied responsibility for the *News*' article, or knowledge of the author. He said it was impossible to appoint a day for the consideration of the bill; he could not do that even for a government measure.

Fawcett pronounced the answer of the government unsatisfactory, and closed the discussion by withdrawing the motion for adjournment, declaring he should push the bill as a private member.

PARIS, 26.—It is positively stated on the best authority that Carlos left Geneva in disgust on the night of the 24th, and cannot yet have reached the frontier. If captured in Spain, the orders are that he be shot.

NAPLES, 26, evening.—A fresh crater has opened in Vesuvius to-day. Ashes and lava threaten the village on the mountain side, people are removing, thousands are encamped in the fields, and the bay is covered with boats, filled with spectators. The scene is indescribably grand and terrible. The flames sometimes shoot up a great height, masses of rock are ejected, with earthquake shocks, which are distinctly felt here.

MADRID, 26.—An official statement says the number of insurgents actually in the field is 8,000.

VIENNA, 26.—Johann Strauss starts for Boston shortly to conduct some musical performance at the World's Peace Jubilee.

ROME, 26.—In the Chamber of Deputies this evening prime minister Lauza read a dispatch, dated Naples, saying the eruption of Vesuvius was increasing and becoming more serious. Two hundred persons were burned by lava flames which burst from the earth under their feet. The inhabitants of Torre Del Greco are in danger of destruction. The people are flying from the town. Temporary provision has been made for them by the authorities.