SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING.

Statistical and Financial Report for the Year 1894.

Interesting Addresses Given by the General Superintendency and Sunday School Union Board.

Minutes of annual meeting of Deseret Sunday School Union, held in the Tabernacle Sunday evening, April 7, 1895, at 7 o'clock. There were present General Superintendent George Q. Cannon, Asst. Superintendent George Goddard and Karl G. Maeser, and the members of the Union board. The building was filled with officers and those interested in Sunday school work.

Elder George Goddard called the assembly to order, and the Tabernacle choir sang:

Praise to the Lord, O ye servants, join
In song to extend his name.

Elder Wm. Paxman, superintendent of Juab Stake, offered prayer.

The choir sang:

High on the mountain top
A banner is unfurled.

The secretary called the roll of Stakes, showing representatives from nearly every one, including Mexico and Canada, and also presented the general Sunday school authorities, who were unanimously sustained as follows:

George Q. Cannon, general superintendent.

George Goddard, first assistant general superintendent.

Karl G. Maeser, second assistant general superintendent.

As members of the Deseret Sunday School Union board—George Q. Cannon, George Goddard, Karl G. Maeser, George Reynolds, Abraham H. Cannon, Thos. C. Griggs, Joe W. Summerhays, Levi W. Richards, Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant and John G. Calder.

As general secretary—John M. Whitaker.

As general treasurer—George Reynolds.

The annual statistical and financial report of Sunday schools for 1894 is as follows:

Number of Sunday schools	581
Total officers and teachers	30,[illegible]
Number of officers and teachers in Sunday schools	3,[illegible]
Total officers and teachers	[illegible]
Average attendance of officers and teachers	1,[illegible]
Number male pupils	[illegible]
Number female pupils	[illegible]
Total number pupils	[illegible]
Average attendance of pupils	[illegible]
Number baptized in Sunday schools	[illegible]
Number of pupils in school superintendent's classes	[illegible]
Number of pupils in other departments	[illegible]
Total number of pupils	30,[illegible]
Average attendance of pupils	[illegible]
Number baptized on the preceding Sunday	[illegible]
Cash on hand last report	$[illegible]
Cash received during the year	$[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]
Cash disbursed during the year	$[illegible]
Cash in treasury	$[illegible]

Elder George Goddard was much gratified at the improvement in the Sunday School Union last report, there being an increase of nearly nine thousand during the past. He paid a high tribute to the faithful superintendents, officers and teachers, who are devoted in instructing the young of Zion, and added his pleasure to the extended visits to nearly every Stake the important interest by the Stake and ward authorities and especially the parents. Such activity and earnest work was needed, and cannot but be fruitful of the most glorious results. But what was a very great source of pleasure to him was the authoritive stress the instructions by the General Union Authorities on that subject, was the living up to and observance of the Word of Wisdom by superintendents, officers and children generally. He believed that never before was that important law so universally observed, and he looked forward with glorious anticipations to its complete observance by all engaged in the great Sunday school cause, and the power and influence it would exert in civilization of the world and the fulfillment of the great promises made by its observance. He announced that the Union board were distributing free to the various Stake superintendents for the benefit of the Sunday schools of the respective Stakes twenty-four hundred Sunday school song books, and the Stake officers, by calling at the general office, 74 Constitution building, could obtain the number assigned to their Stake.

Dr. Karl G. Maeser followed and spoke upon "The Teaching of Music in the Sunday School." In his visits to and labors among the Sunday schools he noticed with pride the improved methods of giving instruction and the earnest, zealous and respective work of the teacher. He would now like his remarks mainly to the primary department, as this was the foundation work, and where the greatest care and most thorough work possible should be done. He compared the work done in the Sunday school regarding intellectual and moral being, with the moral and religious work that should be allowed in the Sunday school, and felt that in the current teachers, men and women filled with the Spirit of the Lord, should be chosen. Regarding the instructions that should be given, he urged that the principles of the Gospel should be first and foremost, the great aim of Sunday school instruction, as the object was to make Latter-day Saints. In all the departments care should be taken that the teachers adopted the method of inter-communication and access and humility to men in trying to teach a new principle, as in the history of the Church, and in the time of the apostles we find that the rules of order in a Sunday school are by very much of a different kind to the rules of order which prevail in the world. Let the teacher be a man or woman, capable, but let it be the work of the Union board to choose the teachers for the primary department. In the primary department the teacher should be a mother in Israel, and the work done in the primary department should be done with a mother's love and care. The