

had been visited, and in some instances two visits had been made by them. The presiding officers of the various stake organizations reported them one and all in good working order, and were abagingtic, in their various depent thusiastic in their various departenthusiastics seeming anxious to cut loose ments seeming anxious to cut loose and work ahead regardless of time event, and showed a disposition not to wait for the stake presidency to urge

A number of returned missionaries them author of returned missionaries worted and their remarks were to the set that planty of work remains for faithful Elder, and showed plainly t the faith of the fathers is yet repor the the children.

Julia M. Brixen of the Y. L. M. I. A. aids gave the people a str-ring talk upon the subject of our duty to ourselves, and to others, and warned the young girls from being too easy in deportment in social gatherings, er Cowley dwelt upon the sub-Elder s of the Word of Wisdom, fast ofmarriage, the benefits derived from instruction when carried out, the Gospel of today that of Christ, and the Walls of the Gospel.

Elder Keisch spoke upon the Lord is Elder Kench spoke upon the Lord is no respecter of persons, the need of self-investigation, serving the Lord, preparing for the coming of Christ, and signs of the times.

Elder Cammeron and M. M. Steele of the Panguitch stake were among the

speakers. Elder John Steele of Toquerville was erdained a Patriarch. The combined choirs of the two St.

wards furnished the singing, the leadership of Conductor pickett, and all were highly delighted with the pieces rendered. steresting M. I. A. meeting was

held Sunday evening.

Had a Nice Entertainment.

Elder Walter J. Wild, writing from st. Huddersfield, England, March 10, reports as follows:

On Saturday, the 7th of the present oonth, the Salnis and friends of the prighouse and Huddersfield districts, in the Leeds conference, England, met schoolroom of the Parochial Hall, on George St., Huddersfield, for an entertainment. There were between 70 and 80 persons present. When all had satisfied the "inner men" the enjoyed a well rendered program, con-sisting of songs, recitations and instrumental selections. Although we have no organized branch, but only a few members of the Church in both towns, we enjoy a good portion of the Spirit of the Lord, and have good meetings, and many friends; and the work of the progressing nicely. "News" is always a welcome

guest. AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE.

The Testimony of a Baptist to the Integrity of the Mormons.

In a letter dated Fairview, Oklahoma, March 28, Elders Joseph S. Huff and Lafayette Hill relate the following interesting incident:

Last week we had an interesting ex-perience in the canvassing field. While canvasing in Woods county, Oklahoma territory we came to a little town called Fairview and began working the town We visited the school trustees and received permission to hold meetings in the schoolhouse and during the day gave out notice that we would hold ser-vices at night and invited the people to come out and give us a hearing.

A number of people were there at the time appointed and we began our meeting. As soon as we got through speaking a gentleman asked permission to say a few words. We gave permission, he arose and said in substance: "I wish to say a few words about this peo-ple called Mormons. I have had the privilege of living among the Mormous in the San Luis valley off and on for nine years. I have associated with them in their worship, in their social affairs, and worked with them side by side, and I can truly say that I never met a better people in my life than the Mormons proved themselves to be; furthermore, they teach the Scriptures as

would always tell the people what kind of a people he found the "Mormons" to be wherever his lot was east.

His name is J. H. Charmide and he lived in a little town of Lajava, San Luis valley, Colorado, among the Saints

for quite a period of time. In tracting the next day we found that his talk had resulted in good, and that it has done a great deal to allay the prejudice here and open up the way that the Gospel can be placed before the

The work of the Lord is progressing nicely in this part of the vineyard. 'The "News" is carefully read and then distributed among the people, where they are doing a missionary work.

STAKE CONFERENCES. BEAR LAKE STAKE.

Good Reports and Speeches During

The Conference.

The quarterly conference of the Bear Lake Stake of Zion was held Saturday, Feb. 28, and March 1. The attendance on Saturday was not very large. Sev-eral of the Bishops reported their wards and addressed the congregation on the duties of the Saints,

On Sunday morning the basement of the building was well filled. Elder Wm. Budge was absent in Salt Lake City on account of his son David's very severe sickness, while Elder Wm. L. Rich was absent in Washington; leaving Elder Jas. H. Hart the only member of the

stake presidency present, with some of the members of the high council occupying seats on the stand. Bishop Alma Findlay of Blooming-

ton was the first speaker, who after having reported his ward in a good condition, counselled the Saints to live upright lives, and beware of the sins, follies, and fashions of the world. Bishop A. R. Wright of Bennington contrasted the present condition of the Saints with that of the pioneers in early days, and showed how the peo-ple had been directed by the servants of God to colonize the country by cul-tivating the land and heildly. tivating the land and building homes and making their families comfortable.

In the afternoon Elder John A. Sutton, Jr., reported the Sunday schools throughout the stake to be in a good condition. Elder Heber C. Keetch reported the organization of the stake religion classes, and advised the parents to see that the children attend these classes in their several wards. Elder James H. Hart, although boring under a very severe cold, ad-dressed the Saints in one of his charcteristic, interesting and instructive discourses. He read from the 101st sec. tion of the Doctrine and Covenants advised the conention to and reflect upon the Word of the Lord contained in these books. He admoncontained in these books. He admon-ished the Saints to live faithful to the

end, for there is a crown of glory laid 11D for the faithful that will never fade

The singing of the stake choir was much appreciated during the confer-ence, ander the leadership of Elder J. R. Shepherd.

W. B. KUNZ, Clerk of Conference,

HYRUM STAKE. Excellent Reports From the Various

Organizations.

Hyrum, Utah, March 25 .- The regular quarterly conference of the Hyrum Stake of Zion convened at Hyrum on Sunday and Monday, March 22 and 23. We were favored with the presence of Elder George Teasdale of the Council of Apostles: Elders J. M. Tanner of Salt Lake City, and W. S. Langton - C. M. I. Drug Store, 112-114 Main Street.

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