

CONFERENCE OF LIBERTY STAKE

President Joseph F. Smith Ad-
dresses the Assembled Saints
At Morning Session.

ACCUMULATION OF WEALTH.

He Dwells on the Evil and Danger of
Running After Riches at the
Expense of the Soul.

The regular quarterly conference of the Liberty stake was held yesterday at 10 a. m. in the Assembly Hall, and was opened by the choir and congregation singing "O say what is truth." Prayer was offered by A. H. Woolley of the Ninth ward bishopric. Continued by the Ninth ward choir singing, "Come thou glorious day of promise."

President Hugh J. Cannon welcomed the saints to the conference and said he sincerely trusted that all who were present had come with a desire in their hearts to be strengthened in their faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ. "We did you all welcome this morning, and we will ask that you exercise your faith and prayers that you may be benefited by this gathering."

A FATHER'S ADVICE.
President Cannon spoke of the advice of his father to him written upon the fly leaf of a Bible he had presented to him on Christmas day, 1846, which was: "Awake to righteousness, my son, and put on the whole armor of God." He had read this just before leaving home this morning, and said that it seemed to him a call to repentance of his sins. The people are to awake to righteousness and put on the whole armor of God. "The last general conference marked a new era in the history of the Church, and in my opinion there will be an awakening in the various organizations. For my own part, I want to awake to righteousness and lay off all unrighteousness and put on the whole armor of God. I want my associates in the stake presidency and the high council and the saints in Liberty stake to do this and to labor with all their mights for the advancement of truth."

President Cannon reported an improvement in the various departments of Liberty stake, and said that there was a marked increase in the tithing for the first quarter of this year compared with the same quarter of last year. He said this was an index to the feelings of the people for the cause who are paying their tithing are sustaining the authorities of the Church and doing their utmost for the advancement of the work of the Lord.

The speaker referred to the matter of the Lord taking Brother Maycock, who labored for the advancement of the work in Liberty stake since its organization. There are other faithful men in the stake, said he, and no man should be a man any more, the Lord presents some one to take his place when he is called away.

President Cannon presented the general and stake authorities, all of whom were unanimously sustained. Bryant S. Hickley was sustained as second counselor in the stake presidency, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Philip S. Maycock.

COUNSELOR HICKLEY.
Elder Bryant S. Hickley, who had just been sustained as second counselor in the stake presidency, accepted the new calling to which he had been called in a few well chosen words. He expressed his gratitude for the confidence and faith of the saints in him and said he was grateful for the privilege of associating with Presidents Cannon and Schulthess and the members of the high council and the saints in Liberty stake which contributed to his pleasant surroundings.

PRESIDENT SMITH SPEAKS.
President Joseph F. Smith addressed the meeting. He said in part: "I hope that I may enjoy a measure of the Spirit in my attempt to speak a few words to you this morning. I am pleased to have the privilege of being in attendance at the opening of this conference and to see the unanimity with which you have sustained the general and stake authorities. It would be a sorry and sad sight if the Latter-day Saints were to be divided or disunited in relation to these matters." President Smith then dwelt at some length upon the unanimity that characterized the voting of the Latter-day Saints to sustain the authorities of the Church and the perfect liberty which they enjoy in the same, notwithstanding the reports of the contrary. Also spoke of the responsibility taken when hands are raised to sustain these brethren. "People are not forced to accept the gospel," he said, "and every woman who is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has become so because of the desire and faith and conviction of that individual that she felt that she was bound to do so. The Latter-day Saints who do not feel absolutely free and act according to their own conviction, are not converted to the gospel of Jesus Christ as they ought to be, and do not stand upon the solid foundation which they ought to stand upon. No man can expect either to receive a reward upon the merits of some other. There is no difficulty for us to do that which we love to do. If we love the work we are doing in any organization it is a pleasure to us. If we love to serve the Lord, there is no difficulty in doing it. The difficulty comes when we try to serve the Lord and some one else at the same time."

"By serving God and keeping His commandments we are serving no one so much as we are serving ourselves. In honoring God we are honoring Him not half so much as we are honoring ourselves. We are not to be calculating to make us like God." President Smith spoke of the evil and

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danger of accumulating wealth at the expense of spiritual growth. "I never saw a day in my life, said he, when the gathering to myself of worldly things has given me anything like peace and satisfaction that I have experienced when I had the consciousness of doing what the Lord required of me. I never was much of a hand to try to accumulate wealth. When I give one moment of thought to taking care of my family I give hours to the helping of my fellow men, and to giving happiness to my mother or sister or brother, and my brethren will bear testimony to this fact, and I knew they do the same. I have no time to think of myself or my own. It is the Kingdom of God and not the accumulation of wealth."

President Smith related instances to show that men who devote their time to the work of the Lord and take care of the poor, and they and their families are not in need but are provided with the necessities of life, and said that that man who aspires to be rich is not likely to be without sin, as is read in Proverbs. "He who hastens to get rich usually neglects everything else." The Savior Himself said: "What profiteth it a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul?" There is no heaven so blissful or that will be so helpful in the presence of the Lord as a man who has devoted his whole time to the accumulation of wealth to the neglecting of his God. President Smith said that some length upon the condition of the man who has gathered together his millions and has not extended a helping hand to the poor, and he said that the great work in which we were engaged is true. He knew that Joseph Smith was raised up by God to do the work he did, and he felt that every one should be a saint in the Church he would not go back on this testimony which had been given him by the Almighty, and no power on earth or any other place could eradicate it from his heart.

Joseph and Gordon Garret sang a duet.

ELDER J. H. SMITH.
Elder Henry Smith of the quorum of apostles was happy to have the privilege of meeting with the saints in Liberty stake and hearing the words of the Lord. He said that he was in no need, seeing the unanimity of the people in sustaining the authorities, the words of acceptance of Elder Hickley and the high council, and the exhortation from President Smith.

Elder Smith spoke at some length of the inclination of some people to get rich, and he said that he would like to see the world instead of keeping the commandments of God. He spoke of the earthquake and pestilence that sound a warning of the judgment to come upon the people of the earth. He urged the saints to be up and doing, for an idle man or woman can find no place in our Father Kingdom.

The choir sang, "Hark, Listen to the Jubilee."

Benediction was pronounced by President Arnold H. Schulthess. A feature of the meeting was the excellent music furnished by the Ninth ward choir, under the leadership of Elder A. Merrill Woolley, and the duet numbers rendered by individual members of the choir.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Elders Heber J. Grant and Orson F. Whitney the Speakers.

Elders Heber J. Grant and Orson F. Whitney, of the council of the apostles, were the speakers at the afternoon session of the conference, which was held in the afternoon of the Liberty stake conference. There was a very large congregation present, including many tourists. The choir sang "High on the mountain top," "Jesus once of humble birth," "Awake my soul," and "Glorious is Thy name," by Elders Heber J. Grant and Orson F. Whitney. The choir sang "High on the mountain top," "Jesus once of humble birth," "Awake my soul," and "Glorious is Thy name," by Elders Heber J. Grant and Orson F. Whitney. The choir sang "High on the mountain top," "Jesus once of humble birth," "Awake my soul," and "Glorious is Thy name," by Elders Heber J. Grant and Orson F. Whitney.

By way of introduction, Elder Grant spoke of the spiritual feast enjoyed at the morning meeting, the remarks, he said, of President Joseph F. Smith standing out prominently in his address. The division of the old Salt Lake stake into four stakes had taken place during his (Elder Grant's) absence in Europe, and he said that the change had proven to be most profitable. Since his return he had noticed that in either of the new organizations there was a more united and hearty cooperation, and opportunity for vast increase in numbers of laborers in the vineyard. It is exercise that develops man in any phase of life.

To seek for political or financial honors does not bring the happiness that comes to the man who is engaged in the things, remarked the speaker. The joy a person feels while striving to do the will of God surpasseth all understanding. There is no difficulty for us to do that which we love to do. If we love the work we are doing in any organization it is a pleasure to us. If we love to serve the Lord, there is no difficulty in doing it. The difficulty comes when we try to serve the Lord and some one else at the same time."



GEORGE WHITAKER,
Utah Pioneer Who Passed Away Yesterday in This City.

Again the ranks of the Pioneers of 1847 have been depleted, this time in the death of George Whitaker, who occurred yesterday. For 60 years, looking but a few months, he had resided in this city, and for 55 years his home was on the lot where death came to him. The deceased was a native of Blackdown, Worcestershire, Eng., and was 77 years of age at the time of his demise. He is survived by six sons, four daughters, 27 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. The children are named as follows: George, Orson and Joseph Whitaker of Kanosh, Myron, Silas and Charles Whitaker of this city. Mrs. Cassandra Wright of Blackfoot, Idaho, Mrs. Arzella W. Symons, Mrs. Evelyn W. Andrews and Mrs. Elsie Wright of this city.

The funeral will be held from the Seventh Ward assembly hall tomorrow, commencing at 2 p. m. The remains may be viewed from 10 a. m. to 11 a. m. at the residence, 323 West Third South street. The following short epitaph of Mr. Whitaker's early experiences are given in his own words:

"When about 22 years old I heard of the Latter-day Saints through one of my sisters living in Liverpool, and being baptized by Apostle John Taylor and I walked 14 miles to Birmingham to hear Apostle P. P. Pratt preach, and was baptized the same day, April 22, 1842.

I emigrated to America in 1845, reaching Nauvoo March 27. On account of the troubles times the saints were having at that time in Nauvoo, about the first advice I got after my arrival, was to buy a gun, which I did, and was

NEW PAVING LAW.

Movement on Foot to Test it in Supreme Court.

For nearly two hours the board of public works, the streets and finance committee of the city council, larger than any, City Engineer Kelsey and Asst. City Atty. Dinsley talked over the public improvement contracts Saturday afternoon and discussed the effect of the new scrap law upon the same. City Atty. Hiles' opinion in the matter was read to the board, and it was finally decided to accept the contracts for paving South Temple street from Thirteenth East to the residence of West Temple street, and from Fourth to Fifth South to P. J. Moran and then make a test of the law by instituting a suit for voiding the same. The case will be brought directly in the supreme court, and it is hoped in the time for the May term. The board also decided to accept the lowest bidder on both the contracts for paving the same. It is higher than the city engineer's estimate of the cost of the improvement. There was considerable discussion of this matter, but the engineer and also the contractor assured the council that the cost of the material and the cost of the work since last year when the engineer made the estimates for this work. It was finally

decided to levy an additional assessment to cover the difference in the cost of the two improvements, and the estimate of the engineer and then go ahead with the work under the old law, but the scrap law in issue in the new law may be tested.

The opinion of City Atty. Hiles in regard to the new law holds that the act provides in substance that "Special taxes may be levied on the improvements completed in front of, or along or upon any block or lot or part thereof or piece of ground, on or at the time the improvement is completed, as shall be provided in the ordinance, levying the same shall first have been assessed by contract, duly let to the lowest responsible bidder, after publication of notice for at least 30 days in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city where such improvements are to be made, and the cost of such improvement shall not exceed to the property owner, the amount of the tax levied on the property for the improvement of the work; provided, further, that bids for the doing of all work contemplated by each special improvement shall be separately solicited and a separate contract be let therefore as above provided."

"This act was approved March 22, 1907, and by its terms took effect upon its approval. By the express terms of this statute it is required:

"First—That the tax shall specifically

relate to the block, lot or part thereof, or piece of ground in respect of which the levy is made."

"Second—That no tax shall be levied until the improvements are completed in front of, or along, or upon any block or lot or part thereof, or piece of ground, until the improvement is entirely completed."

"Third—The act requires that the bids for doing the work in front of each block, lot or part thereof or piece of ground, shall be received by the city council and signed by the parties as required by the statute. There may hereafter be other questions respecting methods of procedure under this new legislation about which I am not now called upon to express an opinion, and therefore such questions are reserved."

The other act referred to is "An act regulating and defining special tax laws in cities of the first and second class and hereafter, and the issue of warrants against the same."

AMUSEMENTS.

Theater—Tonight will see the favorite actress, Miss Annie Russell, in her new production of "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream." It is said to be one of the most gorgeous presentations now traveling.

On Wednesday the boxoffice sales for the Symphony Orchestra concert will be devoted to subscribers. The general seat opens Thursday. The action of Prof. Stephens in booking the entire family balcony for music students of the L. D. S. U. has created a new interest in the event.

The advance sale for Henrietta Crossman in "All-of-a-Sudden-Peggy" opens tomorrow.

Orpheum—If advance promises amount to anything, the Orpheum bill this week is destined to be the best comedy offering for some time. One of the prominent features is a playlet written by Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox and presented by Mattie Keene and company.

Grand—Mr. Leighton's new offering, "Burrhead Jones," promises to draw exceedingly throughout the week. It will be seen tonight for the second time.

Lyric—This week's vaudeville witnesses a number of changes. The usual performance will be given tonight.

AN OFFER

To the Weak and Worn Women of Salt Lake City.

"There are hundreds of women in this vicinity who are dragging themselves through life in pain and misery without vitality, strength or health, said Mrs. Druehl of Druehl & Frankton. They are not so happy as out of life and are in a condition to be attacked by almost any disease. They need a vitality-making and strength-giving tonic from the medicinal elements of cod liver oil, but no oil or grease. It is delicious to take, creates a healthy appetite, makes pure, rich, red blood, and gives strength and vigor to every organ of the body better than any medicine we have ever sold in our store, and when a woman is in this condition it makes life worth living."

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Mrs. Emily Y. Clawson and daughter Josephine have gone to Europe. They will meet there Mrs. Clawson's two sons, who are in the army, and a six months' tour of the continent.

Miss Mable Gatos of Cleveland, Okla., has removed to this city to reside, with her mother, Mrs. Ida Ingalls, 62 south First West street.

Mrs. Adella Bailey has returned from Los Angeles.

Mrs. S. W. Mann leaves shortly for the coast, where she will spend the summer.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Savage announce the engagement of their daughter Georgiana to Robert Lambert Fowler of New York, the wedding to take place in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tracy give a dinner tonight in honor of Mrs. L. D. Bach of Omaha.

The engagement of Miss Beas Hall and Frank Edwin Dole is announced, the wedding to take place early in June.

Interest in the forthcoming Symphony Concert on Friday afternoon is evidenced by the number of parties being formed for the event, many of them to be followed by dinners at the homes of the respective hostesses. Society continues to be loyal to the home organization in spite of the recent past attractions of a musical kind.

Mrs. J. E. Sherlock entertained tonight in honor of Miss Lisdore Taylor.

Tomorrow Miss Mabel Underhill of Denver and Paul Lewis Reemer of this city will be married at the home of the bride, and will afterward come here to reside.

Mrs. R. C. Hill gives a luncheon tomorrow in honor of her sister, Mrs. Hendricks, of Muncie, Ind.

The Bayview Reading club met today with Mrs. E. L. Davis and the

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