

MILLARD STAKE CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the Millard Stake of Zion convened in Fillmore city on Sunday, November 22nd, 1891, at 10 o'clock a. m. Present on the stand were the Presidency of the Stake, members of the High Council and other leading men of the Priesthood. After singing and prayer, on Sunday morning, President Daniel Thompson gave a report of the labors of the Presidency in the Stake since last conference. He spoke of the recent visits which they had made to all the wards, in company with Apostle F. D. Richards, whose kind, fatherly and much instructive talk to the people was much appreciated and had left a very favorable impression. Sister Jane Richards accompanied her husband and met with the Relief societies in all the wards.

The remainder of the forenoon was occupied with a spirited discourse on charity, by Elder Joshua Greenwood; reports by Bishops Thomas Yates of Scipio, H. B. Bennett of Meadow Creek, John Styler of Oasis, and William H. Pratt of Hinckley ward. Also a few encouraging remarks were made by President J. N. Hinckley, who expressed himself well satisfied with what had been said.

On Sunday afternoon the sacrament was administered and the wards of Holden, Kanosh, Deseret and Oak Creek were reported by Bishop A. Y. Stephenson, Elder James Abraham, Counselors Isaac Whicker and George Finlinson, respectively.

Elder S. W. Western, of Deseret, who recently returned from a mission to England, reported his labors and experience in that country. He said he had been over the same ground where President Woodruff was so successful many years ago.

Elder Alma Greenwood, who has been traveling in the Eastern States during the last five months, gave an interesting account of his experience while there.

At the Monday forenoon meeting President D. R. Stevens spoke upon the danger of our becoming careless and indifferent.

President Hiram Mace reported the Forty-second quorum of Seventies, President W. V. Black the Twenty-first quorum of Seventies. Counselor James A. Melville reported Fillmore ward, Elder George Lovell Leamington ward, Elizabeth Yates as to the Relief societies, Elder Frank Hinckley reported the Y. M. M. I. A. associations.

President I. N. Hinckley expressed a hope that every department of the Stake would be alive and do its duty.

On Monday afternoon the general and local authorities of the Church were presented by C. Anderson. They were all sustained by unanimous vote.

Elder C. Anderson then addressed the conference, proving from the past history of the Lord's dealings with His people, ancient and modern, that He had never failed to fulfil His promises and His part of the covenants, while the people had failed repeatedly.

Elder J. E. Hickman spoke upon the importance of virtue and morality, and showed from history that a nation never fell until it had become immoral. He also spoke about the second coming of Christ, and said the signs of His

advent had commenced. The speaker was followed by Brother Reed of Deseret.

C. ANDERSON,
Stake Clerk.
FILLMORE CITY, Nov. 25, 1891.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Home from the South.

Brother J. G. Kimball, who recently succeeded Elder William Spry as president of the Southern Mission, called at our office on Saturday evening, having just returned from the South, where he has been traveling in the interest of the mission during the past four months. A company of Saints left the Southern States on the same train as Elder Kimball. The majority of them went to New Mexico and Arizona and the remainder came on to Utah.

During his absence Elder Kimball visited all of the ten conferences in the Southern States' Mission and reports that they are all in good working order. He says that much of the old-time prejudice and hatred of the "Mormons" has been worn away and that the Saints are becoming better and more favorably known in that section of country. New fields are constantly being opened up. Nearly 10,000 tracts and pamphlets have been gratuitously distributed in the mission during the present year. Generally speaking, the health of the Elders is good.

President Kimball spoke in glowing terms of the good being done by the DESERET NEWS throughout the South.

Another New Ward.

The Presidency of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion, Bishop Isaac Barton and Counselor Joseph Derbridge of the Nineteenth, and Counselors Alexander Garrick and John L. Nebeker of the Twenty-second Ward Bishopric, met with the Saluts of North Salt Lake, on Sunday, November 29th, 1891, at 10 a. m.

The meeting was presided over by Brother Garrick.

Appropriate remarks were made by the Presidency of the Stake, in which the boundaries of what is to be known as the Twenty-third ward, Salt Lake City, was defined as follows: All the district of country lying north of Ninth North street, beginning at the southeast corner of said street, thence running north to the county line, thence west to the Jordan River, thence south to Ninth North street, thence east on said street to the place of beginning, being part of the Nineteenth and Twenty-second wards.

The following, on motion, was unanimously adopted as the sense of the meeting: "That the new meeting house now being constructed be sufficiently advanced to admit the holding of meetings in it on Sunday, December 13, at 10 a. m." President Angus M. Cannon said that the Presidency of the Stake would meet with the people again in two weeks and complete the ward organization.

Notes from Gunnison.

[Correspondence of the DESERET NEWS].—Gunnison is to the front at last with a successful reservoir. Experience, sometimes a rather expensive schoolmaster, has given us this time

a permanent fountain which will hold back waste water to irrigate 5000 acres for two irrigations at least, and Bishop Madsen says it is a proven fact that with the two metallic gates, which are so arranged as to be easily manipulated, with their foundation so strongly fortified by piles, and the rocks filling up the ten feet deep washout, the reservoir is good for one hundred years.

Sister Helena Madsen, President of the Relief Society, has set an example in beet culture by sending 45,000 pounds of good sugar beets from her garden, grown at the rate of twenty tons per acre. The people of Gunnison believe there is more money in beets than in wheat raising. Transportation by aid of the railroad will cost about fifty cents per ton to the sugar factory.

Last night we met with the Poly-sophic Society of Gunnison and I gave them a short lecture on the early rise of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saluts, illustrated by paintings.

The seminary of Gunnison is being successfully carried on under the supervision of Prof. Newton Noys.

The district schools are well attended, and quiet Gunnison has good reason, with good and plentiful crops, to feel happy and at peace.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

Returned Elders.

Elder John Benson, of Kamas, Summit County, also returned today from a mission to West Virginia. He, too, has been released on account of continued ill-health. He started on his mission in company with Elder Allen, and labored for the first three months in Summers and Greenbrier Counties, the remainder of the time was devoted to missionary work in Jackson, Kanawha, and Putnam Counties. He found very little disposition among the people to investigate the truths of the Gospel, but towards the missionaries they showed much hospitality.

Elder E. H. Davis, of Lehi, returned on Wednesday last, from a mission to England. He left Utah on the 16th of October, 1889, and labored first in the London conference, where he remained until the 20th of March, 1891, when he was appointed to preside over the Newcastle conference, where he continued until released to return home. He was diligent and faithful in his labors, which were attended with considerable success. The homeward passage over the ocean was exceedingly rough about one half of the time. The remainder was characterized by fine weather and a smooth sea.

Elder Albert A. Allen, of Huntsville, Weber Co., returned this morning from a mission to the Southern States. He left for his field of labor on May 14th, 1890, and has been engaged the whole time in the East Tennessee Conference. The first six months he spent in Madison and Buncombe counties, North Carolina; for ten months he labored in Carter county, Tennessee, and Mitchell county, North Carolina. The last two months of his mission were passed in Madison county. Elder Allen reports that he was well treated by the people wherever he went, but there is an indifference among them in religious matters. He was released to return home on account of ill health.