AS TO THE CHOIR.

Its Joyous Tour to California a Thing of the Past.

A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF IT.

Utah's Singers Took Every Opportunity to Far, Listen Sixteen and See the Sights.

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To the Editor:

The trip of the Tabernacle choir to California is now a thing of the past, and will go down in history as one of the most pleasant and interesting periods in the lives of those who went along. We think the readers of the NEWS have heard enough of the pleasures of the visit and perhaps might not be so welcome at the present time. I shall try to give a brief resume of the events of the journey. It is to be understood that the trip was to be much shorter than it has turned out to be, and so we are willing to generalize.

The actual time on the road to the release of the trip was six hundred dollars was at the disposal of the school fund. After it was the money raised by the ward guns, so that. With the freight rates cut in the time the choir was enabled to go.

The start was made on the 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of March, starting at 8 o'clock, the morning being a very cold one, the train being a regular freight train, forty-five cars in all, including. The train to Ogden was made without event. Here we were joined by the contingent of Ogden friends and after a few minutes' stop we were off our way. The train followed on hourly or daily, and seemed to be the longest Pullman sleepers with which we were furnished we did not see. The Assemblies and Presidency of Church and the Apostles and leading men generally took advantage of the occasion.

Nearly night we made a good provision for meals and were soon safely tucked away and when morning we generally got up at Reno. Nothing noteworthy occurred on the journey to Reno and the rest of the train began to produce uneasiness among some of the passengers. Nothing of the sort was allowed to mar