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### My brethren and sisters, it is of pleasure to me to be with attendance upon this confer-nd to have listened to the worls have been spoken by our breth-ho have been in the missionary seeking to sow the seeds of the and to discharge that obligation and to discharge that obligation d at the hands of those that are namely, that they shall warn eighbors. The brethren have s in brief some of their experien us in brief some of their experi-es in connection with the work that been assigned unto them. It has iny privilege in the past few weekn been my privilege in the past few weekn to have had some little opportunity of mingling with the people in several states of the Union, and noting condi-tens under which the Elders are labor-loss under which the fields to which they have been appointed by the presiding inhority of the Church. My own ex-report while away from home in the scharge of a duty that had fallen to elat was among the pleasurable ones was among the pleasurable ones any lot, was among the pleasurable ones of my life. In an absence from home of something like four weeks, I do not new that in the entire time, although mingled with a great many. I had ne wry face made at me because f repende to be a "Mormon." I do not now that any of our brethren who new that any of our brethren who with me were subjected to any dence of disrespect, or that any exdence of disrespect, or the any way esions of animosity were in any way ested against the organization of ested against the organization of the weater members. We received motion against the organization of hich we are members. We received e most thoughful treatment, and in e discharge of the duties that were sumbent upon us were enabled, I beto impress upon the minds of heve, to impress upon the minds of eme of our fellowmen a higher regard ind a better understanding of our pur-ose than they possibly had before. Among the most pleasing experiences

Among the most pleasing experiences through which it was my privilege to pass in connection with other brethren. was one such as stated by President boffin as having occurred in his ex-science, and that was in the payment of a visit to Hancock county. Illinois, and to receive very kindly consideration for many of the old-time citizens of out county. Their expressions were om many of the old-time time the were at county. Their expressions were the most friendly character, and any of them absolutely and uncondi-mally declared that Hancock county hay was "Jack-Mormon," and not the "Mormon," and they expressed a the "Mormon," and they expressed a at county. sh that it were possible for the Saints again establish themselves upon again establish themselves upon at land and build up again, by their rift and industry, the towns that id withered after the removal of the ints. The sentiment that we found ig many of these men and women was to me an evidence of a working change in the breasts of the people; and I am of the opinion that the op-portunities for extending the Gospel In r own nation are better today than y have ever been since the Saints their homes in the east and estabhed themselves in the valleys of the ntains. While there are some men o are given to misrepresenting our acter, and the press of the counendly anything that will reflect upon nd h a measure retard the progress of many instances take u ter-day work, the constant travel United States is having the effect wear away and disprove the false atements that have been heralded broadcast in times that are past and gone, and the possibility of arousing a tit of batred and animosity against us is not so marked as formerly. There are large bodies of fair-minded, hon-orable men and women in all parts of the land, and while they may not be as aggressive in their spirit as the enemies of the Saints are, they are ready to give aid and comfort to the Elders of he Church in the performance of their art and to defend them if necessary, I feel that no better time has existed for us to fulfill that great responsibility of preaching the Gospel and warning the world than exists at the present time. Our contact with men in businoss, our association with them in the ariety of congresses and conventions that are held in the various parts of the nation, has awakened in the breasts f many thoughtful and prudent men nest serious thoughts in connection with our ministry. The large bodies of men who attend these cattle conven-tions, irrigation congresses, good roads Trans-Mississippi congresses, congresses and other representative gath-erings at which our brethren and other ten from our state have been present, lave accomplished wonders in chang-ing the spirit of the thoughtful and fairminded of our land. One man who has figured most conspicuously in almost all of these congresses, and who is eminent in one of our territories, in a published expression over his own signature, recently made the statement hat if nothing else had been accomshed by these conventions and con-esses in this western country than obtaining of a better understanding onism" and its purpose in the orld, that alone has amply repaid the Propie of the Trans-Mississippi country for the establishment of these gatherings. Coming from such a man, who is upped, by the education and trainthe sequence of the sequence o have gone from our state to these vari-ous gatherings, that statement is a wit-"ss to me of an advance in the line of thought and in the opening up to the fairminded and generous American peo-ple a way to allay the intense excitement that in the past has been awak-ened against us because of a lack of understanding with regard to our put-I believe this is true, not only within the confines of our own great govern-ment, but also beyond our borders in the great south land and in the lands to the north of us. While many men are not inclined to express themselves upon the question of our religion, yet the justice engendered in their hearts the justice engendered in their nearis as a result of their mingling with the People has broken in pieces many of the idds of the pust, and has destroy-ed, in a great measure, the work of the illberal and smallminded, too many of whom are found in the ranks of the of whom are found in the ranks of the clergymen, so lacking in that breadth and understanding of the principles of the government under which we live that their constant clamorings are di-But even among the ministers there are men of broad minds, of big hearts and scherous purposes. While they are not believers with us in the doctrines of the Gernel Gaspel as restored through the admin-listrations of the prophets in this dis-rensation, still they recognize the fact that in the exercise of their rights and in the fulfillment of their mission they cannot regard with respect these that cannot reard with respect those that would trample upon them in the exer-cise of their rights, and they concede to their fallowment the and they concede c se of their rights, and they concede is their fellowmen the same privileges that they desire for themselves. All such men, whether they be without faith, whicher they are acceptors of the dectrines of the Protestant world, or believers in Judatem, or members of that great organization known as the fathelie church, wherever they may be found they are among the protectors

and preservers of the liberties of man | and preservers of the liberties of man and those human rights guaranteed un-to us by the Constitution of the United States. To these men, whose hearts are big, and whose education is in keeping with the character of the gov-ernment which the Almighty has per-mitted to be established in this day, we may turn our faces with a degree of ernment which the Almighty has per-niited to be established in this day, we may turn our faces with a degree of safety. But when it comes to those whose souls are narrowed down to the acceptance of the idea that their pray-ers can simply ascend in the interest of their own little circle, and that liberty can only be permitted to be enjoyed by the members of that circle, senti-ments such as they possess, and which find expression in a desire to interfere with the conscience of their fellowmen will. I trust, gradually decrease in in-fluence and power until beneath the fiag of the United States, no human being can be called in question as to the character of his faith, whether he worship Mohammed or whether he ac-cepts the doctrines and views presented to the world by the great Christian or-ganizations that are proclaiming Christ and His ministry in the world. The promise to us in the introduc-nion of this work was not that it should ever become a popular system in the wonds.

tion of this work was not that it should ever become a popular system in the minds of mankind. The promise made was that it should gather one of a city and two of a family. Up to the present moment, take the statements of the men who are in the mission fields of this great coun-try, and there has been no declaration try, and there has been no declaration that the work which the Almighty has established in this day has become popular among the people. A few receive their message: a few have administered unto them the ordinance of baptism; a few aid them in the accomplishment of unto them the ordinance of baptism; a few ald them in the accomplishment of their work by providing for their wants, or by preserving them from the at-tacks of mobs or unwise and thought-less people. The work began with a few; it probably will continue for some time with a few. But its destiny and mission will be accomplished upon the basis designated by our heavenly Father. The one of a city and the two of a family will be gathered, will be nurtured in harmony with our Father's purposes, and in due time the work will be established in its fullness and be-come indeed the joy of the whole earth. It will not come with a rush; it will not come by great popular demonstrations; it will not come as a result of any great eloquence or skill or power that we may possess; it will ome through the operations of the still small voice bearing witness to the hearts of the few, until step by step and stage by stage the children of our God will be assimilated and brought into harmony with the principles of His truth; for it is destined to accomplish its work and bring about our Father's purpose. We note the conditions that grew up in the ages past, when the Christian re-ligion became a popular religion; when the Christianity of the Redeemer was lost or burled in the ordinances

among the Latter-day Saints that out Father expects you to utilize the talents that you possess in the creation of industries, in the providing of work, in aiding every child that shall receive of that faith which the Almighty has given unto you, that he may secure for himself a home, that he may be indoc-trinated in the principles of eternal truth, and that all our talents may be utilized for the spiritual and tempora blessing of every one of our Father's children to the uttermost limit of our capacity. That which we have embraced came from a divine source. It mission is a mission of regeneration. It mission is a mission of regeneration. It moves forward in the accomplishment of its destiny. Nothing in the world can stay its progress. That declaration that "no weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn." will operate in the future as it has in the past. All honor to the honorable, upright and generous men of this world who stand upon the basis of fair-dealing among their fellows, and all dishonor to the narrowminded, illiberal and ungener-ous men of the world whose hearts and minds are not broad enough to register aright the rights that they themselves aright the rights that they themselves enjoy and that the rights of their fel-lows should be sacred in every sense of the word!

May the blessings of God attend you May the blessings of God attend you. May the faith that was delivered to the prophets of this dispensation find its lodgment in your hearts and homes. May you be stalwarts among men in the defense of human liberty and in the blessing of every creature. May you impress upon the souls of your sons and daughters that sacred regard for human libert that no human being human rights that no human being with your consent should be denied the exercise of his conscience, so long as ne does not interfere with the rights or liberties of any other human being, and that this principle and spirit may grow and garnish your lives and enable you to fulfill your destiny, under the bless-ing of our God, is my prayer, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

#### TEACHING AGRICULTURE.

Circular 49, United States department of agriculture, contains the sev-enth report of the committee on Meth-ods of teaching agriculture, and deals with "Secondary courses in Agricul-

ture." This committee is constituted by the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations for the purpose of investigating methods of education in agriculture and reporting suggestions in regard thereto. The present pamphlet is a bulletin from the office of experiment stations, embody-ing the suggestions of this committee in regard to preparatory study in the high schools for admission into the agricultural colleges. The suggestions are of particular value at this time, when the experiment is being tried in Ala-bama, Wisconsin and California to establish separate agricultural high schools, which will offer the equivalent to the manual training or technical high schools, which are already estab-lished in all the principal cities in the and. Such schools being for all the people of the state, and preparatory to the real work of the colleges, should be a part of the public school system of the state, so that students from the pri-mary schools can go to them from their completing the lower courses. The high schools, as at present established in the cities and towns of the country, have uniformly neglected the studies that are essential to the beginning of a course in agriculture, and have thrown this preparatory work on the college and prevented their doing real college work during at least the first year of their course. Since successful agriculture i essential to the prosperity and well be Since successful agriculture is ng of urban as well as rural communiies, there ration ween country districts, villages, cities and the states, to provide the means for the maintenance of agricultural courses in high schools. In most of the high schools already existing, this need could be supplied by employment of a com-petent teacher, and the agricultural course may be offered without any radical or violent reorganization of the ex-isting programs of such schools. In general the average high school course of study assumes that the student has had a number of years, generally eight, in a primary school, where he has learned the elementary English branches, geography, arithmetic, etc. All that is needed in the high school is to devote more time to the natural sciences and less to languages. The agricultural instruction should embrace general principles in regard to climate, soils, fertilizers, plant life and its varieties, culture, harvesting, preservation and uses and the enemies of farm crops, the principles of breeding animals, the

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lost or buried in the paganism that surrounded it, and when the ordinances of God's house, with the keys, rights, authorities and blessings, were lost in the philosophy and wickedness of that day.

My brothers and my sisters, before us is this entire world. Our Father has given it to us as our field. From its islands and from its continents, from islands and from its continents, non-its mountains and from its valleys we are to gather together the children of our Father, indectrimate them in an understanding of the principle of revelation, write upon their hearts the characteristics of the prophecies of old, and engender in their minds the understanding that as prophecy and revelation were requisite in that former day, so they, in this day, who would be in communion with our heavenly Father must seek to obtain that selfsame spirit and drink in of that revelation and prophecy that shall bring to the souls of men a complete comprehension of our Father's purposes in connection with His great family. To this end the seeds will have to be sown. gradually but surely, that little by little the lump may be assimilated, the condithe lump may be assimilated, the condi-tions may be shaped, the hearts of God's children may be brought to the proper understanding, and that upon their souls shall be written, by the im-press of His Spirit, the truth of His work that shall lead them to obey it and do His bidding. There are many things we have to do in connection with the development of

in connection with the development of our Father's work that probably in our experience are very trying to us; but we look back over the past, as we remem-ber the conditions that surrounded us in the state of Illinois, or in the state of Ohio, or in the state of Missouri, and we note the changes that have been wrought in our establishment in this mountain home, we must glorify our Father's name that He utilized means to push us into the valleys of these mountains, and equip us by the education that we have received for the accomplishment of that great work which He has set us to do. There was no escape from this. It has come to us in the accomplishment of His purpose. and His purpose is the gradual regen-eration of His children and the estab-lishment in all the world of the truth of that message which God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ made known to the Prophet of this dispensation, and to which our brethren have borne tcstimony this day and become witnesses of the ministry and mission of the chosen ones designated to scatter this seed and bring to repentance the sons and daughters of God. At no time in the world's history has there ever been made so wonderful an accomplishment in the sowing of seed and in the dis-semination of principle such as was made in the life ministry of the Proph-

et Joseph Smith. In almost every church we hear sung songs of the lat-ter-day Zion. We hear them clamoring in many sections of our country for information bearing upon many princi-ples in which we believe, and we note that the thoughtful and prudent men of the land, as well as of other parts of this continent upon which we live, desire our association and companionship, that the labors of our organization may be brought to bear to change the condi-tions in their sections of country and open the door that more of our Father's children may be successful in securing nselves the blessings and comto the forts of life.

I recognize the fact, my brethren and sisters, that it is not prudent in me to speak to you longer; but with my asso-ciates who have spoken to you this day I desire to bear my testimony to the truth of this Gospel. I desire to say to you practical and thoughtful men



supply in the country, irrigation and drainage and the history of agriculture. A series of courses of study are suggested covering four years, THE HOME VINEYARD, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Farmers' Bulletin The Home Vineyard, with No. 159. Special reference to Northern Condi-tions. By W. H. Ragan. The location of the vine or the vine-

methods of modern dairying, construc-tion of farm buildings, surveying, water

yard for family use should be deter-mined by its convenience to the home and the fitness of the soil. A warm, open soil, free from excess of moisture and fairly fertile, should be preferred, and a south or southeast exposure. Grape roots ramble far and wide. Hence the complete pulverization of the soil is important. Plowing should be done with a heavy team, followed by a subsoil plow in the same furrow. If in a limited space and prepared with the spade the same deep breaking should be the rule. As fertilizers for the grape there is nothing better than hardwood ashes and well composted barnyard manure, These should be well mixed with the soil before planting. Leaves, soap suds, old leather scraps and lawn rakings are also useful Proand newl ratings are also useful 170-pagation of the vine is accomplished in various ways. A cut is given show-ing the method of rooting vines from layers. Also the method of rooting from the new wood is shown. Another cut shows the way to make a long cut-ting of the grape. These are made a foot long in the fall, and in mild cli-mates are set at that time in rows. In the north they are tied in bunches and buried in a dry place in the garden till spring, when they are set in rows. A good cut shows the method used in setting the cuttings. Then follows an

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ceeds only in a few localities. There are innumerable varieties of grapes, all of which do well in some localities, but are not advised for general use. A chapter is devoted to the method of sacking grapes and to the treatment for fungus diseases and insects. But it is not necessary to go into the de-tails of the bulletin, as any farmer can get it from the secretary of agriculture, Washington, or from our senators or representative in Congress.

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