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MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT CONFERENCE

Two Meetings Held Last Sunday in Cedar Tabernacle.

MRS. ELIZABETH McCUNE PRESENT.

Behavior in Places of Worship, and Merits of Book of Mormon and Doctrine & Covenants.

Last Sunday the Young Men's and Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Associations of the Parowan Stake held their annual conference in the tabernacle in this city, beginning at 2 o'clock p. m. President Randle Jones of the Y. M. M. I. A. presided at the afternoon session, which was devoted to the young men's part of the conference, and President Annie Dalley of the Young Ladies Association presided in the evening.

After the usual opening exercises the general authorities of the Mutual Improvement Associations were presented and sustained, after which Randle M. Jones was sustained as Stake President of Y. M. M. I. Association in Parowan stake, with Samuel B. Jones and Orlando Bracken as his assistants, John W. Webster as secretary and treasurer, and Walter C. Mitchel, Wm. Berry and Henry Mathias as aides. Mrs. Annie Dalley was sustained as president of the Y. L. M. I. Association of Parowan Stake, with Lillian R. White and Ardena Dalley as her assistants, Emily D. Watson and Samantha Berry as aides, and Nora D. Hulet as secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Lillian R. White addressed the conference on the subject of "Proper Conduct in Places of Worship," saying that we ought to show as much respect to the House of the Lord as we would to the house of a friend. Places of worship are sacred and holy and should be treated. If conversation is indulged in before the services begin it should be of a character suited to the exercises that are to follow.

During the service there should be no talking or whispering in the congregation, and close attention should be paid to the speakers. Those expecting to attend should make it a point to be in time in order to avoid disturbing the meeting by their entrance after commencement.

Inasmuch as it has been required by our church authorities that the ladies remove their hats in worship meetings these requirements should be complied with, and a failure to do so argues disrespect for our leaders and the ruler of the church. One of the gravest breaches of decorum is leaving the house during the services, and this should never be done except when it is absolutely necessary. A safe rule is to conform as far as possible to the prevailing custom of the people among whom we are mixing.

ELDER WILLARD JONES

Spoke on the importance of a knowledge of the Book of Mormon. Faith in the book one of the first requisites. Doubt is natural to many of us. There is such a thing as doubting our own existence. The Book of Mormon is a strong evidence of the divinity of the Bible. Many references are made in the Book of Mormon to the words and teachings in the Bible. The dealings of God with the people on this continent as recorded in the Book of Mormon are similar to his dealings with the people of whom the Bible speaks.

MRS. ELIZABETH McCUNE.

Who was representing the General Board said that she always felt well in getting out among the settlements. Had been raised on the frontier and felt at home among that class of people. Takes a great interest in the welfare of the young men. Is the mother of six sons. Has been surprised to see that the young men outnumber the young women in the joint meetings in the northern settlements, but enquiry had shown that this is on account of many of the ward officers attending the meetings. Many of the aged are joining the Mutuals. Great good is resulting from the study of the Book of Mormon in the societies. In Salt Lake City a Bureau of Information has been established for the benefit of tourists; and guides find a knowledge of the Book of Mormon of great service to them. The Y. L. M. I. A's

are making a study of the Doctrine and Covenants this winter and are finding it a very interesting book. Mothers need the information that this book contains. The speaker said she was grateful that she was born among the people of God. She knew that Joseph Smith was a true prophet; that the Father and Son had appeared to him, and also the angel Moroni.

At the night session, presided over by President Annie M. Dalley of the Young Ladies Mutuals, after the opening of the meeting in the regular manner

MRS. ALMA MCGREGOR Addressed the conference on the subject of the Book of Doctrine and Covenants. Said the Revelations were all given to Joseph Smith with the exception of two which were given to Brigham Young. Gave an account of its compilation and urged the young ladies to make the best of their opportunities while studying this book.

DR. G. W. MIDDLETON. Approved of the course that was being taken in having regular programs for meetings of this kind. But thought we ought to be always prepared to speak when called upon. Approved of the plan of having home missionaries.

MRS. McCUNE Had met Dr. Middleton in England some years since. The only satisfaction in life consists in doing good to others. One of the greatest gifts of God to his creatures is the love of books, for from them we get the thoughts of the best people in the world. Was pleased to see that the study of literature is being introduced in the mutuals. We can't live on religion alone, we must keep pace with the world in our knowledge of everyday affairs. Believed that if the Normal students would attend to the mutual meetings they would be able to do as much or more in their classes than they neglect them. The Young Ladies Journal and the Improvement Era ought to be taken by all our young people as far as possible. The speaker gave an interesting account of her experiences while in England, and also in New York in assisting the elders in spreading the gospel teachings.

WORK AT CALIENTES.

Fine Quality of Gold Ore Responding to Active Researches.

[Salt Lake Tribune.]

The possibilities of the diggings out of Calientes, where with others, he is engaged in the development of a gold bearing proposition, compare favorably with those of any camp which has been opened up in the state, said Hon. C. O. Whittemore yesterday, and while the camp is a youngster, it affords many assurances of becoming as productive as any on the line of the San Pedro railway. Discussing the Chief group of prospects that are being developed by him and his associates, Mr. Whittemore says that it will be equipped with a mill as soon as the volume of ore justifies the owner in the construction of one, and he has no doubt that it will be required of them next spring.

Of the \$500,000 deal at Pioche in which the properties of the Pioche Con. Mining company have been commended to him. Mr. Whittemore says the final reports of those who conducted the examination are now in the possession of Senator Clark and that the fate of the undertaking will be decided by him at an early day. He is not willing to speculate on the conclusions of Senator Clark, but believes there is an opportunity at Pioche, for the development of another source of revenue for the San Pedro railway.

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SALT LAKE TRIBUNE.

CURED OF PILES AFTER 40 YEARS.

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For Sale by Cedar Sheep Ass'n.

A FEW LINES FROM THE COUNTY SEAT.

Promises of the Newly Elected Officers Being Executed.

"HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE."

Death of Wm. O. Benson From Typhoid Fever.—Mrs. Ann Taylor Low With Same Disease.

Nov. 18, 1903.

We have a number of sick people in town. Mrs. Ann Taylor is very low; Marion Halterman is still improving, but Ella Bentley is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

The committee chosen to prepare a program for Thanksgiving have arranged for a lively meeting on Thursday at 2 p. m., at the meeting house. Housewives should make arrangements for dinner at an hour that will not interfere with the attendance at the meeting.

William Benson, aged 28 years, died Friday last from complicated typhoid fever and pneumonia, leaving a wife and two small children. Bro Benson had always been afflicted with weak lungs, and was attacked so severely that his nature could not withstand the ravages of the disease. We all tenderly sympathize with the affectionate mother and father, and particularly the widow and fatherless.

The promise of the newly elected officers is already being carried into effect by the retiring ones. A number of the sidewalks have been recovered, made to drain the streets after rain, and other fine making; it more pleasant for the pedestrian. It would be no more than fair to place credit mark No. 1 to the 8th paragraph in the article of Nov. 7, headed "Parowan calls for Improvements," thereby giving "honor to whom honor is due."

Nov. 18, 1903.

Mrs. Ann Taylor is seriously ill. All of the family have been summoned home. The poor lady cannot last much longer without a change.

A Mormon Statesman.

The following interesting relic has been handed us for publication by one of our subscribers. It has evidently been taken from the Desert News, but of what date we have no means of knowing. It will no doubt be of interest to many of our readers:

"The Old Book of the Nineteenth Century" is the title of a volume published by the author, Thomas Ainge-Devere, at Greenpoint, New York, in 1882. It contains many sayings of noted men not previously published, or if printed not generally known. The compiler was once associate editor of the Irish World, and has made a very interesting and valuable collection of striking sentences on a variety of topics. Among them is the following which will be of interest to a great many readers of the News. It is headed, "A Mormon Statesman."

"Joseph Smith was the Mormon candidate for President in 1844. Thus he wrote: 'As soon as the greater National evils could be remedied, so that slavery could not occupy one-half of the United States, for speculation, competition, prodigality and fleshly capital and so that enormous salaries, stipends, fees, perquisites, patronages and the wages of spiritual wickedness in "crime and lace," could not swallow up forty or fifty millions of public revenue I would use all honorable means to bring the wages of the mechanics and farmers up and the salaries of public servants down; increase labor and money by judicious tariff, and advise the people, who are the only sovereigns of the soil, to petition Congress to pass a uniform land law that the air, the water and the land of the "Asylum of the Oppressed" might be free to freemen!'"

"With considerations of the highest regard for unadulterated freedom, I have the honor to be your obedient servant."

JOSEPH SMITH.

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SALT LAKE TRIBUNE.

Hunting Bighorn in Wyoming.

In the late seventies, in the Rattlesnake mountains, as the southern spur of the Bighorn range in Wyoming is called, one November afternoon I had sighted a small band of rams lying up on a narrow ledge within shot of which by dint of a long round, I thought I could get with some certainty of success. The only question that troubled me was whether it was wise to undertake the stalk in the face of what looked to be an approaching blizzard. In less than half an hour I had reached what I thought was the point above the rams from which a steep gully led down to the spot from whence I expected to get my shot. I say "thought" for the storm had now broken, and in the whirling snow my movements had, for the last ten minutes, been mere guess-work.

The lateness of the hour and the apparent hopelessness of finding my game under such unfavorable surroundings made me hurry down the gully with anything but noiseless haste. But the unexpected happened; long before I considered that I was down low enough I suddenly found myself in the very middle of the band. Driven away from their exposed ledge, probably by stress of water, they were in the act of ascending the gully down which I was hastening. Old "trail-stopper," my double express, was slung over my shoulder by its strap in chamois stalker's fashion, and, what was worse, it was not even loaded. My fingers were cramped with cold, and it must have taken me some seconds to fumble in my pockets for two cartridges and get them into the chambers, my eyes, of course, being fixed all the time on the rams standing motionless and looking intently at the strange appearance that had so suddenly emerged out of the whirling snow. I was not doing any fine shooting that afternoon. But what was extraordinary about that band was that they did not take to their heels until I had emptied both barrels at the nearest ram, the first shot causing but a trifling commotion.—W. A. Baillie Grohman in outing.

CARE OF THE EYES.

How to Use Them to Avoid Straining the Sight.

An authority on the care of the eyes emphasizes the fact that in this day of reckless misuse of the eyesight the rules laid down must consist of warnings regarding things to be avoided, says the New York Journal. Here are some of the main rules for the care of eyes which should be of interest to everybody.

Do not use the eyes in poor light or too far from a good light. Do not have the body in the way of the light or the light directly in front. One is almost as bad as the other. The light should fall without interruption from one side.

Do not use the eyes much when recovering from illness or when very tired.

Do not use the eyes when they become watery or show signs of indistinctness of vision.

Do not work with head bent over. This tends to gorge the vessels of the eyes with blood and to produce congestion.

Do not read lying flat on the back or reclining unless the book is supported in the same relative angle and position as when erect. This is so difficult to do that it is better not to attempt it.

Do not go a single day without glasses after you should put them on.—Park Record.

While we were busy in our sanctum last Tuesday the office boy rushed in wide eyed and red headed, with the startling information that he had a local for us. As news is as scarce in our office as cash seems to be in the pockets of our delinquent subscribers, we dropped our faber and paid close attention while the garrulous youth unbosomed himself of the following story: "I saw that every woman who passed Mr. Hunter's gate stopped and stared at something by the sidewalk and so I thought I would go over and see what they saw. I found a notice which read: 'The owner requires trespassers to discontinue traffic over these premises.'" The warning seems to be effective as "No traffic" has been observed since the notice has been posted.

UTAH IRON FOR PUEBLO PLANT.

Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. Put 100 Men to Work Near Cedar.

RAILS STACKED UP AT LUND.

Prospect Shafts are Being Sunk in Iron County Prior to Opening of the Mines.

[Deseret News.]

That Utah is on the eye of a decided boom in iron mining becomes more apparent as the days go by. This is brought to mind in a forcible manner by advices which were received by Col. Milner this morning from Cedar City Iron county. In the communication received by the colonel it is stated that the Colorado Fuel & Iron company has recently increased its force of men at its Iron county mines to fully 100. Work is being projected all along the iron zone on the company's holdings, a distance of over 11 miles. This work consists in sinking shafts to determine the extent of the iron deposits.

Between six and eight of these shafts are being driven at the present time. As the ore is taken out tests are made of its quality and character, and a record carefully kept. All the shafts so far made, while experimental in their character, are so driven that they can be used when the actual work of taking out ore in quantity is reached.

Another significant thing at the present time, is the fact that the big Colorado company has been industriously piling up a large quantity of steel rails at Lund, on the line of the San Pedro railroad. These rails though are lighter than those used on main lines of railroads, and it is thought that the material will be used in track building around the mines. Col. Milner says that he is in a position to know that the company is making arrangements to supply its plant at Pueblo, Colo., with iron from the mines it has purchased in Iron county. In speaking of the iron mines around Cedar City, Col. Milner said that he also had a considerable force of men at work on his properties which lie directly alongside of that of the Colorado company. He intends to keep increasing this force as the time goes by. At present he is busy securing patents upon the ground and yesterday paid in to the receiver of the land office \$1,739 in final proof on a tract.

It is a common saying that a person has to go away from home to hear the news about himself, and that is very much like what we have had to do on this occasion. The men who own or are the principal figures in the development of the iron deposits do not often come to town, and when they do come they are as close as clams in relation to what their intentions are. It requires the skill of an experienced interviewer to draw them out, and the cheek of the devil himself to attempt it, in the face of the want-nothing-to-do-with-you air they present to the country editor or reporter who ventures into their presence. Under these conditions it is not to be wondered at if we resort to the means we have adopted in this instance to find out what is the intention with regard to the iron interests that mean so much to our part of the country.

How to Relieve Tired Eyes.

People who suffer from tired eyes will be glad to learn how a noted French author accidentally discovered an excellent remedy. It is a simple method of restoring the vision to freshness when, after reading or writing for some time your eyes begin to ache. One night while the author was engaged in writing an article his eyes gave out before he could finish, and he was compelled to stop. So turning from his unfinished manuscript, his eyes fell upon some scraps of colored silk that his wife had been using for patchwork. These gay colors had a peculiar attraction for his wearied optics. On assuming his work after gazing at them for several minutes he found his eyes quite fresh. After several experiments he surrounded his inkstand with brilliantly colored striped silk material. That his eyes might rest on them every time he dipped his pen into the ink. This brings instant relief.—Park Record.