

terly. They had left a home that had been very sacred to them, made so by 17 years of hard work, and all the associations that home could give, and they possessed every comfort that they could desire, and suddenly, within a few moments, they picked up what they could throw into a trunk, and away they went, leaving everything else behind, a big drove of chickens, about 20 splendid milch cows, a waving field of grain, their garden and everything. They had to come to a condition of absolute dependence. In many instances those good people, in answer to our questions: "Why is it we don't see you in our meetings?" have said, "We haven't clothes fit to appear in the society of our brethren and sisters in Thatcher." We appealed to our Relief Society, and they have made clothing for them. The most of these people are still in El Paso, Texas, others in the field of President Robinson's mission, and in our country, the St. Joseph Stake of Zion, and in the Maracopa Stake of Zion.

Now, brethren and sisters, these people ought, by all means, to remove to the North. Many of them come from an altitude of 6500 feet, where they dressed in warm clothing, as you do today, and they came down into our valley where it is very warm, and suffered there by reason of the heat. They ought, by all means, to be brought into the North. Do not be afraid of hurting them by inviting them to Canada, as suggested by Elder Woods in his letter yesterday. Do not be afraid of inviting them to Idaho, or any other locality, for they can accommodate themselves to whatever climate or condition they locate in. Open up your hearts and feelings, brethren and sisters, and let us ab-

sorb the people of this disorganized Stake of Zion amongst us, that they shall have employment, and be made to feel that they are not dependent, and God will bless you for it. Remember the splendid principle suggested in the conversation between Ruth and Naomi, "for thy people shall be my people, and your God my God."

May the Lord bless us, my brethren and sisters, with the splendid feeling of fellowship and love that is exemplified in the discourses at this conference. May the influence thereof sink deep in our hearts, that we may be instruments in the hands of God in perpetuating the principles of brotherly love and fellowship to all humanity, that the world may with us, glorify God for bringing to pass this great work and a wonder in the last days, and this I ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **ELDER JOSEPH F. SMITH, JR.**

Prophecies fulfilled in Saints locating in the Rocky Mountain region.

I trust that our brethren and sisters will bear with us for just a moment longer.

I have been pleased with the testimonies of the brethren. I desire to add one quotation in connection with that which was given by Brother Robinson, concerning the gathering of the Latter-day Saints in these valleys of the Rocky Mountains. The Lord says:

"Wherefore, be not deceived, but continue in steadfastness, looking forth for the heavens to be shaken, and the earth to tremble and to reel to and fro as a drunken man, for the valleys to be exalted, and for the mountains to be made low, and for the rough places to become smooth; and all this when the

angel shall sound his trump. But before the great day of the Lord shall come, Jacob shall flourish in the wilderness, and the Lamanites shall blossom as the rose. Zion shall flourish upon the hills and rejoice upon the mountains, and shall be assembled together unto the place which I have appointed."

In my travels among the people, I have seen, in part at least, the fulfillment of the words of the Lord. I have seen where the water has been increased, where the deserts have been made to blossom; pools of water have sprung forth, and barren places had become fruitful fields. This has been through the activity and industry of the Latter-day Saints and the blessings of the Lord which have attended them. I feel that we should honor the Lord, and sing praises unto him, be true and faithful to our covenants, honor the priesthood, love the Lord our God, and seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, giving him all the honor the praise and the glory for the blessings he has poured out upon us as Latter-day Saints; for they are many, and will be continued, as we know, from day to day if we are faithful. The Lord will bless us abundantly, granting us all things we need, and in His own due time righteousness shall prevail upon the earth, truth spread among the people, wickedness shall not be found, and the righteous shall inherit the earth. May we go home from the Conference with renewed energy and determination to serve the Lord, which is my prayer, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

James H. Neilson, and choir, sang the hymn:

O Zion, when I think of thee,  
I long for pinions like the dove,  
And mourn to think that I should be  
So distant from the land I love.

The music for all the pieces rendered during the service was composed by Prof. J. J. McClellan.

Benediction was pronounced by Elder Rea Gardner.

## SECOND OVERFLOW MEETING.

Another meeting of the Conference was held in the Assembly Hall, at 2 p. m., at which Elder Anthony W. Ivins presided. The Seventeenth ward choir again furnished the musical exercises.

The choir sang the anthem, "Grant us peace, O Lord." This anthem, and the other selections rendered during this service, were composed by Prof. Evan Stephens; solo parts were sung by James H. Neilson, H. J. Christiansen, Amer Hansen, and Sisters Barnes and Smith.

Prayer was offered by Elder James H. Martineau.

A male quartet sang the hymn:  
Oh, give me back my Prophet dear,  
And Patriarch, O give them back,  
The Saints of latter-days to cheer,  
And lead them in the Gospel track!

Elder Anthony W. Ivins presented the names of the General Authorities of the Church; each and all were duly sustained in the positions designated, by unanimous vote of the congregation.

The choir sang the anthem, "Gospel restoration."

### ELDER DAVID H. CANNON.

(President of St. George Temple.)

I am very much gratified with the opportunity afforded me of addressing you for a few minutes this afternoon, and I trust that while I shall