Sunday, May 18. A district meeting of the Manchester Conference was held at Doe Heay Assembly Room, Moses Gate, of which the following are the minutes: (Mill. Star 52: 363)

ELDERS present-Walter Hoge, of the ELDERS present—Walter Hoge, of the MILLENNIAL STAR office, Lorenzo R. Thomas, of the London Conference and Philip Hurst, president of, and Orson Hicken, James Woolstenholme, Thomas Spackman, Nephi Jackson, A. Wilson, George Marshall, Wm. Ogden, R. J. Dingdale, Traveling Elders in the Manchester Conference, Thomas D. Brown, president of, and John T. Kay, 12 Riddle, J. S. Bengh, Traveling Elders in the Liverpool Conference, and J. H. Newton, of the Sheffield Conference.

Conterence.

10.30 a.m.

After the opening exercises, President Hurst made a few introductory remarks.

Elder Hicken said he had gained an experience by coming to these lands and preaching the Gespel, that would be of great benefit to him. Exhorted the Saints to continue in the work in which they are engaged, and great will be their reward.

Elder J. S. Baugh-said there is but one way whereby we can enter in the Church and kingdom of God, and that is by complying with the teachings of our Savior and His Apostles, which are being taught by the Latterday Saint Elders. Any one can obtain a testimony of the truth of the doctrines we teach if they will continue to ask God in faith.

Elder Spackman said we have left our homes to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and tell the people to repent of their sins and be baptized for the remission of them. We find many people who do not seem to have any anxiety about their own souls welfare, their only desire seems to be to enjoy the pleasures of this world. The ancient prophets predicted that the time would come when the wicked would be destroyed, and the signs of the times indicate that the time is close at hand.

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Elder Kay said we find but few who are willing to embrace the Gospel to-day, so it was anciently. It takes a constant effort on our parts to live our religion and resist the temptations that are placed before us. All is not peace in Zion, and if a man cannot live his religion in this country, he will not be not be able to do so when he goes there.

Elder Ogden said if the Elders did not have a testimony of the truth of the Gospel they preach, they would not be willing to come to these lands and make the sacrifices they did. The Savior said "By their faith ye shall know them," and we are willing to have that applied to us.

Elder Wilson said his ambition was to live with the Latter-day Saints, and share with them in their joys as well assorrows. Our testimonies are the same, and our desires are to do good to our fellowmen, and point out to them the nurs and correct principles

same, and our desires are to do good to our fellowmen, and point out to them the pure and correct principles of the Gospel, and yet we find very few who are willing to listen to our testimonies.

2.30 p.m. Sacrament was administered by Elders Marshall and Woolstenholme.

Elder Marshall and Woolstenholme.

Elder Thomas said that when the Savior was upon the earth He called the poor and weak things thereof, and sent them out to preach the Gospel. He has done the very same thing in this our day. The Latter-day Saints are everywhere evil spoken of. But our enemies can not prove the false accusations that they make. Spoke at some length on the divine mission o Joseph Smith. The Latter-day Saints have endured many privations in assisting to establish the Church and kingdom of God, and they do not want to shrink from their dufies.

Elder Ingdale said the Gospel has again been restored to the earth as John predicted while he was on the Isle of Patmos that it should be. No man would be willing to leave his

home and come here to preach the Gospel, unless he had received a know-ledge of the truth of the same. The same blessings follow the Church of

same blessings follow the Church of Christ to-day as did anciently. Whenever a man embraces this Gospel he has a desire to leave these lands and gather with the Saints of God.

Elder Jackson said he felt it a pleasure to stand before the Latter-day Saints and speak to them a short time. We who have made a covenant to serve God should do so, and seek to fully understand the first principles of the Gospel before we search after mysteries.

ples of the Gospel before we search after mysteries. Elder Newton said he had a testimony of the truth of the work he was engaged in and felt thankful that he had been raised in the Rocky Mountains among the Latter-day Saints, and they were a good people. The Christian world claims to take the Bible for their guide yet they are not willing to live up to the teachings that are there contained. are there contained.

6 p.m.

Elder Alston said he had been truly benefited by meeting with the Saints, and had enjoyed himself very much. People should not select religion just as they select their clothes according to their tages and notions, but should make their notions conform with the religion of Jesus Christ. We are told that it is life eternal to know God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent. Therefore we should try and learn His mind and will and do it.

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Elder Woolstenholme said we are willing to leave our momes and come to these lands and preach the Gospel because we have a knowledge of the truths of the doctrines we teach. He exhorted those who had made a covenant to serve God to be sincere in doing server.

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Elder Riddle said it gave him great pleasure to listen to the testimonies that had been borne to-day. Felt to thank God that he had been permitted to come unto these lands and preach the Gospel. Those who have embraced this Gospel should also feel thankful that they have had the privilege of hearing and understanding the same.

President Brown said he knew that there is only one true religion on the earth, and could bear testimony that the Gospel as taught by the Latter-day Saints is true. John the Revelator saw the time when this Gospel would be restored to the earth, and he also warned the people to come out of Babylon that they might not partake of her sins and receive of her plagues.

Elder Hoge, said the testimonies way have heard to-day have been true and will stand as witnesses against those who have listened to them. The Latter-day Saints have such love for their fellowmen that they are willing to leave their families and all they

The Latter-day Saints have such love for their fellowmen that they are willing to leave their families and all they hold dear on earth, and spend their means and time in preaching the Gospel of the kingdom. The Almighty has set up His kingdom on earth never more to be thrown down. We have the glorious privilege of being citizens of that kingdom, and we feel thankful to Him that He has called us from the world. All the mankind have the same privilege, but the great majority reject it, and cast us out as evil, for which they will have to answer. answer.

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President Hnrst said he felt pleased to see so many present. He knew this was the Gospel of the Son of God, and it had been a great satisfaction to him to compare the doctrines of Jesus Christ with what is believed in by the world of mankind. Our Elders are willing to talk to any one upon

the principles of the Gospel, but many people are not willing to listen to them. The signs of the times indicate that

Monday, July 7.

Under this date the following was written:

(Mill. Star 52: 458)

Rochdale, July 7, 1890.

President George Teasdale.

Dear Brother,—For a month past
the Elders and Saints of this Branch have been holding out-door meetings on Sunday evenings in the Town Hall square. A large num-ber of people gathered together from time to time, and the Elders had the privilege of bearing their testimony and preaching the Gospel to attentive listeners, and after meetings several hundreds of our tracts were distributed. A great many questions were asked and answered, and we felt that we were doing some good. At each succeeding meeting, there appeared to be a greater number of the disturbing element crowding around us, and last night it was soon evident that our meeting would be interfered with, for many would not keep quiet while prayer was being offered up. Elder Jackson spoke a few minutes, and bore a faithful testimony to the work we are engaged in. After singing a few verses, Elder Hurst addressed the people. There were some in

the crowd making a disturbance, but a few wanted to hear, and said that the disturbers were only a party of roughs. We told them that the Gospel we preached was true, and by obeying it they would obtain salvation; that the principles we teach were the same as those taught in the first century, and we had to meet similar opposition, as our teachings came in contact with the theories of the day. So determined was the opposition then, that they cruci-fied the Savior of mankind. Was it because he did not tell them the truth? While we were thus speak-ing, the crowd broke through our ring, and a general confusion pre-vailed until the meeting was broken up. We gathered together, however, at Sister Williams' house, and held a spirited and interesting testimony meeting, which all present greatly

Ever praying for the triumph of the cause of truth, we are your brethren in the Gospel of peace,

PHILLIP HURST,
JAMES WOOLSTENHULME, NEPHI JACKSON.

"Millennial Star" of this date contains the following:

(Mill. Star 52: 426)

It has afforded us great pleasure to meet a number of friends who are visiting Europe this season. We have been reminded of old times, when in other fields and various labors we have associated with them in the past. We feel assured that their travels will prove pleasant and instructive to them, and that by mingling with relatives and strangers much prejudice toward our cause will be allayed, and good generally be accomplished. Besides those whose arrival we have heretofore noted, are Dr. H. J. Richards and family, F. W. Taylor and wife, John W. Clawson and family, James Poulton, John Collins and mother, Arthur Taylor, Charles G. Shill, William Gritton, Thomas Wheately, Senr., W. C. Graham, Phillip. Pugsley, wife and daughter, Mrs. S. P. Teasdel, and son, T. W. Ellerbeek wife and daughter, William Spicer, wife and daughter, William Fuller, wife and daughter, and Miss Baddley. Some are on business, while others are on a pleasure trip. We wish all of them a pleasant visit to these lands, and a safe return to their mountain homes.

Monday, August 11. The "Millennial Star" of this date

contains the following:

(Mill. Star 52: 507)

RELASES AND APPOINTMENTS.—Presidents Philip Hurst of the Manchester Conference, and Henry Tuckett of the Leeds Conference, are released to return to Zion.

Elders Leonard J. Jordan and Hyrum Ricks are released from their labors in the London Conference, Isaac J. Riddle from the Liverpool Conference, John D. Evans and Noah Williams from the Welsh Mission, and Edward M. Perkins from the Irish Mission, to return home.

Elder Thomas Spackman is appointed to preside over the Manchester Conference.

Elder W. H. Evans is released from his labors in the Bristol Conference, and appointed to preside over the Leeds Conference.

Elder E. W. Swann is released from the Newcastle, and appointed to labor in the Sheffield Conference.

Elder Ralph Maxwell is released from the Scottish Mission, and appointed to labor in the Newcastle Conference.

Elder W. J. Critchlow is released from the Leeds, and appointed to labor in the Irish Mission.

Elder Thos. H. Blackburn is released from the Leeds Conference, and appointed to labor in the Nottingham Conference.

Elder W. B. Gibbons is released from the Norwich, and appointed to labor in the Bristol Conference.

Elder C. J. Mortensen is released from the Sheffield, and appointed to labor in the Nottingham Conference.

Elder L. R. Thomas, of the Liverpool Office, is appointed to labor in the Birmingham Conference.

Elder John R. Booth is appointed to labor in the Manchester, and Smith Wells Robertson in the Nottingham Conference.

Sunday, September 14. A conference of the Manchester

Conference was held in Prof. Foulke's Assembly Room, Cobden St

Pendleton, of which the following are the minutes:

(Mill. Star 52: 621)

THERE were present; Elders Walter-Hoge and John E. Carlisle of the Liverpool Office, and President S. W. Western of the Birmingham Conference; Thomas Spackman, President of, and James Woolstenhulme, Nephi Jackson, George Marshall, William Ogden, Alva B. Wilson, Samuel Worsencroft, R. J. Dugdale, F. W. Chappell and John B. Booth, Traveling Elders in the Manchester Conference.

The Conference was opened by President Spackman calling the meeting to order and the congregation singing. Prayer by Elder J. R. Booth.

Singing.

Elder Hoge addressed the congregation for a short time, and informed the Saints that Apostle George Teasdale would not be able to attend the Conference, as he had been detained in London.

Elder Dugdale reported his labors in the Moorside District. He said the Saints were all striving to keep God's commandments and to gather

to Zion.

Elder Booth reported his work in the same District, and said he had enjoyed his labors very much, and felt determined to do his duty while upon his mission. He exhorted the Saints to be faithful in discharging their duties in the kingdom of God.

Elder Woolzenhulme gave a report of his labors in the Rochdale and Oldham District. He felt considerable satisfaction in trying to introduce the Gospel whenever an opportunity was

afforded him.

The congregation then sang the hymn, "We thank Thee, O God, for a prophet," after which

Elder Jackson briefly reported his

labors and bore his testimony.

Elder Western of Birmingham addressed the Saints, giving some excellent advice, and exhorting them

to continual faithfulness.

Benediction by President Spack-

Prayer by Elder Worsencroft.

The Sacrament was administered by Elders Worsencroft and Booth, and brief reports were made by Elders Ogden, Marshall and Worsencroft, each giving good advice to the Saints, and encouraging them to be faithful and obedient.

Elder Carlisle related, during his remarks, several incidents in the early history of the Church, which proved very clearly that God's hand had been over it, and that He had given His Elders wisdom in the hour of need, and that He would continue to do so in the establishment of His Church.

During the evening meeting Elders Wilson and Chappell gave brief reports of their labors, and spoke for a short time on the principles of the

Gospel.

President Spackman presented the general authorities of the Church, which were unanimously sustained. He also read the statistical report of the Conference for the six months ending June 30, 1890, from which the following items are taken: baptized, 18; emigrated, 31; excommunicated, 1; died, 2; officers and members, 224; children under 8 years of age, 59; total, 283.

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Elder Hoge gave some excellent advice and encouragement to the Saints. He spoke upon the principles of the Gospel, exhorting the Saints to pay their tithing, and receive the blessings predicated upon obedience to that commandment. He was listened to throughout his remarks with wrapt attention. The congregation then sang the Doxology, and after benediction by Elder Hoge, the Conference adjourned.

F. W. CHAPPELL.

Sunday, December 28. A conference was held in Manches-

ter, England, of which the following are the minutes:

(Mill. Star 53: 26)

MINUTES of the Manchester Conference, held at Foulkes' Hall, Pendleton.

The following Elders were present: Apostle Brigham Young, President of the European Mission; Jas. H. Anderson and Thomas Alston, of the Liverpool office; Thomas Spackman, President of, and James Wolsten-hulmo, Nephi, Jackson, A. B. Wilson, Wm. Ogden, R. J. Dugdale, F. W. Chappell, John R. Booth and J. M. Merrill, Traveling Elders in the Manchester Conference; Elders S. Worsencroft, J. S. Baugh, B. Thornley, E. E. McBride, Harry Worley, G. Marshall, T. L. Beech, and A. Fawson, of the Liverpool Conference, and Elders D. M. Stuart and A. J. Kershaw, of Utah

10 a.m. Singing. Prayer by Elder Chappell.

Elder Wolstenhulme-made a few remarks, speaking of the necessity of the Elders having the Spirit of God to guide them in their labors. He rejoiced that he was a Latter-day Saint, and had received a knowledge of the plan of salvation.

Elder Booth-said he had found a few honest souls in his labors, and felt well in their midst. The Gospel brings peace and joy to those who embrace it and keep the commandments of God.

Elder Wilson said he took great interest in helping to spread the principles of the Gospel, although mankind generally are not willing to listen to and reason upon them

Elder Chappell-said he had enjoyed his labors in this land. It is almost discouraging to see the people so indifferent in regard to the truth, but the knowledge that he was doing God's will in warning them buoyed

Elder Merrill said he realized that we are engaged in the work of the Lord, and we will be judged according to our works. We need not expect to become popular with the world, for we are trying to do our Heavenly

Elder Jackson said he knew that the Gospel was true, and was trying to convince others of the same. If we will be humble, God will give us strength to accomplish our labors acceptably to Him.

Elder Ogden spoke of the world persecuting the Saints because they claim to receive revelation from God, and have Apostles and Prophets, and also enjoy the gifts and blessings that the Saints did anciently. They would, however, learn that no opposition could stay the progress of Truth.

Elder Dugdale spoke upon the principle of divine authority, and said that no man has a right to officiate in any of the ordinances of the Gospel'unless called of God.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Booth.

2 p.m. Singing. Prayer by Elder Thornley. The Sacrament was administered by Elders Wolstenhulme and Jackson.

Elder Anderson referred to the importance of partaking of the Sacrament worthily. In every action of our lives we should be exemplary. If we look at the conduct of a true Latter-day Saint, we will see that he makes the righteousness of God the first object, and give other things secondary consideration. Our testimony is a serious one to the nations of the earth. There is also a great responsibility on us to warn the world, that we may be free from the blood of this generation. We are falsely accused by the world. The Saints are willing to be judged by the Savior's test: "By their fruits ve shall know them."

President Spackman then read the following statistical report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890: Persons baptized, 22; emigrated, 45; excommunicated, 2; died, 6. Seventies, 9; Elders, 22; Priests, 7; Teachers, 4; Deacons, 8; members, 203; officers and members, 253; children under eight years of age, 81; total number of souls, 334. He also reported that the Elders in the conference have sold and given away during the year: Book of Mormon, 15 copies; hymn books, 42; Voice of Warning, 97; other works, 22. They have also bought over 152,000 tracts of various kinds, and distributed from door to door over 132,000.

The general authorities of the Church were sustained by unanimous vote, as were also Apostle Brigham Young, as President of the European Mission, and the Elders now in the conference in their respective positions.

Elder Alston said that he had taken great pleasure in his missionary labors. Although he had many relatives in this land, he had not found any among them who were willing to embrace the principles of the Gospel. Were it not for the Saints he would indeed feel like a stranger in a strange land.

President Young said it seemed strange to the people of this generation for people to testify that God has again spoken from heaven. They will not admit that He has any right to communicate with His children upon the earth. We are persecuted because we proclaim these things. We know, however, that we testify to the truth. The Spirit of God is with the Elders and Saints in this land, but I have not witnessed it manifested to as great an extent here as I have in the place where God has appointed for the gathering of His people. The history and travels of the Latter-day Saints present just as great a record of miracles as does the record of the children of Israel.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Chappell.

6 p.m. Singing. Prayer by Elder Worsencroft.

Elder Stuart referred to the restoration of the Gospel through the in-

strumentality of the Prophet Joseph Smith. He said it was necessary for men to have authority to preach and administer in its ordinances. They should also have the Spirit of God to guide them in their labors, and should not weary in well doing.

Elder Worsencroft said he rejoiced in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation. It is no new doctrine, for it was preached in the days of the Savior, and it has been revealed again as was

predicted that it should be.

President Spackman said that as he was about to return home he desired to again bear his testimony to the truth of the Gospel. This he did, and he also testified that the Elders were warning the people of the judgments that will shortly be poured out on the nations. He exhorted the Saints to be diligent in keeping the commandments of God.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Kershaw.

The following day a Priesthood meeting was held at Manchester, and much valuable instruction was given by President Young and others.

WM. OGDEN, Clerk.

Wednesday, December 31. The "Millennial Star" published the following: (Mill. Star 53: 86)

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 Monday, January 26. Elder Tames Woolstenhulme, writing from Rochdale, under this date, says: (Mill. Star 53: 74)

"About two weeks since, an auctioneer named Greenwood, of Grimsby, but now in the town of Heywood, gave notice that he would furnish his large tent free to any one desiring to preach the Gospel. Thinking this a good time to present the Gospel to the people, I visited him and told him who I was. He said we could have the use of the tent, and also stated that he would announce it at his sales each evening. On Sunday evening, the 18th, brothers J. C. Cutler, E. M. Dugdale and I held meeting, but the weather being extremely cold, not many stopped to listen. Last evening, however, Brother Dugdale and I, and a few of the Saints, had a good time holding meeting in this same tent; between three and four hundred strangers attended and gave strict attention. We highly appreciated the fayor accorded to us. During the two evenings we distributed 1500 tracts. I find that a more favorable feeling exists here concerning our people. The system of preaching for hire and divining for money does not suit, and many are awaking to a sense of the fact. I find many fair-minded people who are willing to accord to us our rights."

Sunday, April 26. A conference was held in Manchester.
England, of which the following are the minutes:

(Mill. Star 53: 298)

MINUTES of a District Meeting of the Manchester Conference, held at the Doe Hey Assembly Rooms, Moses Gate, Sunday, April 26, 1891. There were present Elders J. H. Anderson, of the Liverpool office; J. C. Cutler, President of, and Nephi Jackson, F. W. Merrill, Wm. Ogden, A. B. Wilson, R. J. Dugdale, J. R. Booth and W. G. Bickley, Traveling Elders in the Manchester Conference; Samuel Worsencroft and Abram Fawson, of the Liverpool Conference, and T. H. Blackburn, of the Nottingham Conference.

10:30 a.m. Singing. Prayer by Brother Hugh Robinson. Singing: President <u>Cutler</u> made a few introductory remarks, relating some of his experiences in the missionary field. He exhorted the Elders and Saints to

be diligent in their labors and keep the commandments of God.

Elders Merrill. Booth, Jackson, Ogden and Dugdale addressed the meeting, testifying to the restoration of the Gospel with all its gifts and blessings, and showing that, it was necessary for the human family to adopt the plan of life laid down by our Savior if they expect to gain salvation.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Ogden

2 p.m. Singing. Prayer by Elder Dugdale. Singing. The Sacrament was administered.

Elder Worsencroft said the Lord had revealed the Gospel to the earth again, and sent His servants to preach its principles to the human family. After the testimony of the Elders, the Lord will visit the people with His

judgments if they do not repent.

Elder Anderson said the Elders had been commissioned of God to go forth and preach to the people the plan of salvation. He spoke at some length upon the first principles of the Gospel, proving from the Scriptures that it was impossible for a person to obtain salvation except by embracing those principles. He referred to the necessity of authority to officiate in the Gospel ordinances for them to be of avail.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Wilson.

6 p.m. Singing. Prayer by Elder Blackburn. Singing.

Elder Wilson referred to the condition of the Jews who accepted the teachings of the Savior and His Apostles, showing the love and friendship

they had for each other as the fruits of the Gospel.

Elder Bickley said the Latter-day Saints are accused very often of using a different Bible than King James' translation, but this is a mistaken idea. They teach from the same Bible that all professed Christians claim to believe in. An examination of the Bible doctrines conclusively proved that the world has not the pure principles of the Gospel. He spoke at some length on the apostasy from the primitive Church, and the restoration of the Gospel in this dispensation.

Elder Anderson spoke upon the divine mission of Joseph Smith, and the manner in which the Gospel was restored, and divine authority given to him. The speaker pointed out the harmony of the Gospel to-day with the teachings of the Lord, and the identity of the order of Priesthood. He also spoke upon the opposition that had been brought to bear against the Church, and showed how the Lord had caused His work to develop in strength and His Church to increase in power and knowledge, notwithstanding the difficulties the Saints had to contend with.

Singing. Benediction by Elder Fawson.

(John F. Mernell?)