## REUNION OF EAST TENNESSEE

The second annual reunion of the returned Elders of the East Tennessee conference was held at Grantsville, in Tooele county, Saturday and Sunday, September 17th and 18th. There were present the following El-ders, most of whom were accompanied by their families:

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Thomas W. Sloan, J. Golden Kimball and Moses W. Taylor of Salt Lake City: rnomas W. Sloan, J. Golden Kimball and Moses W. Taylor of Salt Lake City; Wm. L. Hays and John R. Halliday, of Pleasant Grove; Wm. Spry, Robert R. Iudd and Albert Barrus of Grantsville; John A. Bevan, Joseph C. Orme, Tooele; Byron W. Brown, Lehi; John C. Bertoch, Riter; J. B. Woodward, Wellsville; Nathan Tanner Jr., and John V. Bluth, Ogden; A. W. Ensign, Brigham City; George B. Williams and Andrew D. Helm, Mill Creek.

The Elders outside of Tooele county had gathered in Salt Lake City the evening before, and early Saturday morning took the westbound train for Half-Way-House. At that point they were met by Elders Wm. Spry, Robert R. Judd and a number of their friends. With teams, to take the visitors to Frantsville, where they were soon located among mutual friends.

At 2 p.m. the first meeting of the re-union was held in the Grantsville meet-ing house. Here the Elders sang and re-lated missionary experiences to those assembled, while they in turn furnished brass band music, choir and solo sing-ing. After meeting an adjournment was taken to the pleasant and commodious home of Elder Spry. There, on the lawn, under glgantic weeping willows where refreshments were served, the Elders were strongly reminded of their confer-ence gahterings on the green and in the woods of the South. In the evening the people of Grantsville had prepared a ence gahterings on the green and in the woods of the South. In the evening the people of Grantsvile had prepared a party in their large hall, where all joined in making the Elders feel that they were welcome. All restraint was thrown off, all felt that they were brothers and sisters, and, in innocent enjoyment, all learned to feel that it was good to be there.

Sunday morning was pased in visiting the Grantsville Sunday school, ably presided over by Assistant Superintendent sided over by Assistant Superintendent Albert Erickson, after which a hurried drive took the visitors to Tooele, where meetings were held at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. The Elders related many of their experiences, some amusing, others faithpromoting. The Spirit of God waspoured out in abundance and words of comfort and inspiration flowed from the line of those who addressed the assemlips of those who addressed the assembled Saints. A visit to the vineyards of Tooele was a pleasing feature of the

afterneon.

Monday morning the Elders the residence of Elder Joseph C. Orme, and held a business meeting. The officers of the past year were re-elected, they being Thos. W. Sloan, president; Wm. L. Hays, vice-president; dent; Wm. L. Hays, vice-president; John R. Halliday, secretary and treas-urer. A committee was appointed to draw up a letter from the re-union of Elders to their friends and ac ances in East Tennessee and friends and acquaint-North Carolina, expressing appreciation of kindness shown in years past when these Elders traveled through the hills and hollows of the Cumberand mountains. Letters of regret and well wishes tains. Letters of regret and well wishes were read from a number of brethren living in varous parts of the State. The gathering then merged into a testimony meeting in which a rich portion of the Holy Spirit was enjoyed. Some of the testimonies borne, particularly of the Holy Spirit was enjoyed. Some of the testimonies borne, particularly those of the sisters, left not a dry eye among those present. The joy and happiness of this reunion can scarcely be described. Love and affection beamed from the eye of every brother as each clasped hands and joined in singing the songs of Zion, the songs that had often won him a meal and bed in the South. Truly it was a feast of spiritual refreshment, one that no East Tennessee Elder can afford to miss in the future. Nor can too much be said of the hospitality of the Sants of Grantsville and Tooele. As one sister expressed it: "Had we been kings and queens they could have treated us no better." To Elders Wm, Spry and R, R. Judd of Grantsville and Joseph C. Orme and John A. Bevan of Tooele, as well as to the officers, is due much of the credit for the success of the reunion. It was upgainted in the success of the reunion. It was upgainted in the success of the reunion.

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