

Jew in the land, rich or poor, after he has been a year in the country has a share appointed to him if he chooses to take it. The chief cause of their returning to this land seems certainly to be an attachment to the inheritance of their fathers. They also believe that their Rabbies here are actually inspired—that to die in this land is to a Jew certain salvation; and that if they die out of it they must make their way under ground, to rise in the valley of Jehoshaphat. They are very different from the Jews we have seen in France and Italy, they are far from being Infidels; on the contrary they are superstitious Jews. They have a real expectation of the Messiah's coming, and this feeling is waxing stronger and stronger. . . . They are counted as dogs by the Moslems. They maintain the beautiful dress of their fathers and are a noble looking race when compared with the wretched Arabs who are scattered over the land. Almost all the male Jews here spend their time in reading. There are six synagogues in Jerusalem, and thirty six reading places.—These latter are established by individuals that they may attain some merit to their souls! five or six readers are appointed to each, having a small salary—one or two of whom are expected to be always there reading the Talmud.

At Sychar we visited both their synagogues, saw the Samaritan MSS. said to be three thousand six hundred years old. The most of the Jews in this country speak Hebrew—read and spoken in the Spanish way. Arabic is next in importance the language of the country—Chaldea and Syriac are useful.

[*Jewish Intelligencer.*]

Mr. Bonar, of the Scotch Deputation, confirms Mr. Cheyne's account as to the number.

GOING TO JERUSALEM.—It is said that several thousands of Polish and Russian Jews, at Berlin and elsewhere, have entered into an engagement to proceed on the first favorable opportunity to Jerusalem, to await in prayer and fasting the coming of the Messiah.

WESTERN INDIANS.—The St. Louis Republican announces that a treaty has been concluded between Gov. Chambers and the Sacs and Fox Indians. The Indians are to remain in possession of the western portion of the territory for three years, and are then to move to the west of the Missouri. They are to receive \$1,000,000.

In old times, when a man went to inquire of God, he said, come let us go to the Seer.—See 1 Samuel, ix:9.

TIMES AND SEASONS.

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VALEDICTORY.

I beg leave to inform the subscribers of the Times and Seasons that it is impossible for me to fulfil the arduous duties of the editorial department any longer. The multiplicity of other business that daily devolves upon me, renders it impossible for me to do justice to a paper so widely circulated as the Times and Seasons. I have appointed Elder John Taylor, who is less encumbered and fully competent to assume the responsibilities of that office, and I doubt not but that he will give satisfaction to the patrons of the paper. As this number commences a new volume, it also commences his editorial career. JOSEPH SMITH.

The patrons of the Times and Seasons will unquestionably be painfully disappointed on reading the above announcement. We know of no one so competent as President Joseph Smith to fill the editorial chair, of which the papers that have been issued since he has been editor are sufficient evidence.

We do not profess to be able to tread in the steps, nor to meet the expectation of the subscribers of this paper so fully as our able, learned and talented prophet, who is now retiring from the field; but as he has promised to us the privilege of referring to his writings, books, &c., together with his valuable counsel, when needed, and also to contribute to its columns with his pen when at leisure, we are in hopes that with his assistance, and other resources that we have at our command, that the Times and Seasons will continue to be a valuable periodical, and interesting to its numerous readers. JOHN TAYLOR.

THE FOURTH VOLUME.

We present the present volume of the Times and Seasons, in a brevier dress. This improvement enables us to give more matter, thereby keeping up with the growth of the church.—The elders now in the vineyard, will render us a signal favor, by obtaining subscriptions and forwarding the money to us—as soon as circumstances will admit; for, according to the turn of the times, cash, and not credit, is the only medium for publishers and people.