

wisdom was introduced and after many able remarks from the Chair, and elders J. C. Snow, W. Farr and A.—Butler the conference unanimously voted to abide by the word of wisdom excepting two, and they felt determined to try. Many important instructions were given concerning the gathering by the chairman and elders present.—Brother Zadock Parker was then chosen by the unanimous vote of the conference to preside over the branch of the church in Lyman, Grafton county, N. H. Brother Artimus W. Lockling priest was duly elected to preside over the branch in Lyndon, Vt. Caldonia county, by the unanimous voice of the conference.

Elder J. C. Snow then explained the nature and order of the Priesthood. Broths. Parker & Lockling were then set apart by the laying on of hands by the Chairman and Clerk of the conference. Good order and much union prevailed throughout the conference; sung a hymn and the Spirit of the Lord rested down upon the congregation.—The conference was then dismissed by pronouncing the Saviors benediction. Sunday at half past ten met at the meeting house in the east part of Lyman for public preaching; a large congregation assembled who was addressed by elder Fuller and followed by elder W. Farr who gave a short exhortation; intermission of half an hour, congregation again assembled and were addressed by elder J. C. Snow from the subject of the book of Mormon, the Spirit of the Lord rested down upon the elders, and a good Spirit seemed to prevail throughtout the congregation.

AMOS B. FULLER, Ch'n

JAMES C. SNOW, Clerk.

### CAUTION.

To the brethren and friends of the church of Latter Day Saints, I am disposed to say a word relative to the bills of the Kirtland Safety Society Bank. I hereby warn them to beware of speculators, renegadoes and gamblers, who are duping the unsuspecting and the unwary, by palming upon them, those bills, which are of no worth, here. I discountenance and disapprove of any and all such practices. I know them to be detrimental to the best interests of society, as well as to the principles of religion.

JOSEPH SMITH Jun,

### H Y M E N E A L .

MARRIED, in this town on the 20th Instant, by Elder Brigham Youngs, Elder Wm. Parks of Euclid Cayahoga Co. O. to Mrs. MILISSENT OSBORN, of this place.

Also on the 23rd Inst. by Oliver Cowdery Esq. AMOS R. ORTON to Miss. DORCAS SEEKINS both of this place.

WISE and good men have attempted to present an artificial arrangement of the several events recorded in the history of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, or what they call a *Harmony of the Gospel*. It is both a pleasing and an useful amusement to ascertain the dates and to settle the order of events; and labors of this kind merit high commendation. But the native majesty and simplicity of scripture stand in no need of artificial arrangement. The whole spiritual building is august and venerable, and each particular part has its peculiar beauty and excellency. To be assured that such things were done, is of infinitely higher importance than to determine the exact series of succession. Every line of the history of Christ is a radiant display of divine perfection; every step he takes leaves an impress of benignity behind it. It was predicted concerning him, that he should be "a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." But it was likewise predicted that he should "see of the travail of his soul and be satisfied." The words which have been read contain the accomplishment of this last prophecy. In all our affliction he was afflicted; let us weep with him: and when he "rejoices in spirit," let us also "rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory; receiving the end of our faith, even the salvation of our souls."—*Hunter*.

### ERRATUM.

Our readers will please correct a mistake, made in the date of a letter inserted in the July paper from President W. W. Phelps. It now bares date May 7th, whereas it should be July 7th.

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