

and preach, who have not been before ordained.

Elder L. Wight then addressed those who intended to be ordained, on the subject of their duty and requirements to go to preach.

Pres't. H. Smith spoke concerning the elders who went forth to preach from Kirtland, and were afterwards called in for the washing and anointing at the dedication of the House, and those who go now will be called in also, when this Temple is about to be dedicated, and will then be endowed to go forth with mighty power having the same anointing, that all may go forth and have the same power, the first, second, and so on, of the seventies and all those formerly ordained. This will be an important and beneficial mission, and not many years until those now sent will be called in again.

He then spoke in contradiction of a report in circulation about Elder Kimball, B. Young, himself, and others of the Twelve, alledging that a sister had been shut in a room for several days, and that they had endeavored to induce her to believe in having two wives. Also cautioned the sisters against going to the steam boats.

Pres't. J. Smith spoke upon the subject of the stories respecting Elder Kimball and others, showing the folly and inconsistency of spending any time in conversing about such stories or hearkening to them, for there is no person that is acquainted with our principles would believe such lies, except Sharp the editor of the "Warsaw Signal." Baptisms for the dead, and for the healing of the body must be in the font, those coming into the church and those rebaptized may be done in the river.

A box should be prepared for the use of the font, that the clerk may be paid, and a book procured by the monies to be put therein by those baptized' the remainder to go to the use of the Temple.—Sung a hymn. Ordinations to take place to-morrow morning—Baptisms in the font also—There were 275 ordained to the office of Elder under the hands of the Twelve during the Conference.

April 8. Sung a hymn—Prayer by Elder Kimball—Sunga hymn.

Elder Page then addressed the assembly upon several subjects; made many interesting remarks concerning being called to the ministry, labor in the vine-

yard &c., spoke of his own travels and the fruits of his labors as an encouragement to the young elders who were going into the vineyard.

Pres't. J. Smith said the baptisms would be attended to, also the ordinations.

Sung a hymn—Elder John Taylor preached a sermon while the ordinations and baptisms were going on on the subject of infidelity showing that the arguments used against the bible were reasonably scientifically and philosophically false.

The Stand was occupied in the afternoon by Elder Amasa Lyman and followed by Elder Wm. Smith, then the Conference closed by benediction of Pres. J. Smith.

JAMES SLOAN, Clerk.

CONFERENCE MINUTES.

Minutes of a conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, held in the City of New York, Nov. 29th 1841.

The Conference was organized at 2 o'clock P. M. by electing Elder John E. Page, Chairman, and L. R. Foster, Clerk.

After addressing the Throne of Grace, the Chairman briefly stated the object of convening together—and then proceeded to ascertain how many of each quorum, or order were present, when it was ascertained there were present, one of the Twelve travelling High Councillors, six high priests, sixteen elders, three priests, two teachers and two deacons.

Reports of delegates being called for, Elder Foster reported that the whole number of persons who had been received into the branch at New York was two hundred and ninety-two, of which two hundred and seventy-nine were received by baptism and confirmation, and thirteen by certificate. Of these, four have died, ninety-six moved away, and thirteen have been excommunicated; leaving one hundred and seventy-nine, of whom there are a president and two councillors, a bishop and two councillors, eleven elders, two priests, one teacher and two deacons.

The branch of Setauket, Long Island, was represented by Benjamin Hulse, teacher.—That branch was organized on the 27th of March, 1841, with eighteen members, two of whom had been preachers, one a Baptist, and the other a Methodist. The number has since, been increased to forty-three, of whom six have been cut