## CONDITIONS ON WHICH THE SAINTS SHALL PREVAIL—PREVALENCE OF PEACE—THE FEELING IN THE EAST—FALSEHOODS SWALLOWED BY A CREDULOUS PUBLIC—NO REAL INJURY—IMMEDIATE PROMISES—ONLY ONE THING TO BE FEARED—THE SAINTS SHALL PREVAIL—THE SAINTS SHALL PREVAIL THROUGH FAITHFULNESS—THIS PRAISE OF THE WORLD A SIGNAL FOR SORROW–POWER OF A UNITED **PEOPLE—THE FIERCEST PERSECUTION ANTECEDENT** TO POLYGAMY-SALT THAT HAS LOST ITS SAVOR-ONLY ONE CHANNEL OF REVELATION—VOX DEI, VOX **POPULI—THE AARONIC AND MELCHIZEDEK** PRIESTHOODS—WRITING AND SPEAKING—SPIRITS THAT PEEP AND MUTTER—DECEITFUL DEVICES OF THE **ENEMY—THE MEN WHO HAVE AUTHORITY—THE** PARABLE OF THE SHIP—THE MAN WHO PRESIDES—INVOCATION.

DISCOURSE BY PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON, DELIVERED IN THE SALT LAKE ASSEMBLY HALL, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 2, 1833.

## Reported by John Irvine.

I will read a portion of the 103rd Section of the Book of Doctrine and Covenants, commencing at the 5th paragraph:

"But verily I say unto you, that I have decreed a decree which my people shall realize, inasmuch as they hearken from this very hour unto the counsel which I, the Lord their God, shall give unto them.

"Behold they shall, for I have decreed it, begin to prevail against mine enemies from this very hour.

"And by hearkening to observe all the words which I, the Lord their God, shall speak unto them, they shall never cease to prevail until the kingdoms of the world are all subdued under my feet, and the earth is given unto the saints, to possess it forever and ever.

"But inasmuch as they keep not my commandments, and hearken not to observe all my words, the

kingdoms of this world shall prevail against them.

"For they were set to be a light unto the world, and to be the saviors of men;

"And inasmuch as they are not the saviors of men, they are as salt that has lost its savor, and is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men.

"But verily I say unto you, I have decreed that your brethren which have been scattered shall return to the land of their inheritances, and build up the waste places of Zion.

"For after much tribulation, as I have said unto you in a former commandment, cometh the blessing."

I am thankful, my brethren and sisters, for the opportunity of meeting with you today under such favorable circumstances, and partaking of that peaceable influence