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DISCOURSE BY PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON, DELIVERED IN THE MEETINGHOUSE, PROVO, SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 2, 1883.

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I feel as though I would much rather sit still and listen to somebody else, than to attempt to speak myself.

For a number of weeks past the First Presidency of the Church have been traveling through the various settlements, and such counsels and instructions have been given to the people mingled with kindly reproofs and warnings as the Spirit has seemed to dictate—and in the meetings we have held there has been a goodly outpouring of the Spirit of God; the people have rejoiced in their meetings and in that which they have heard.

There is a constant necessity for the visits of those whom God has called to preside over the affairs of His Church, and to hold the Apos-

tleship of the Church, in the midst of the various Stakes of Zion. It is true that God our Eternal Father-in accordance with the promise which He has made unto those who would receive the Gospel in humility and with sincerity of heart-has poured out His Holy Spirit upon the people, and they are led by it in the most of instances, and the gifts of the Spirit are manifested. At the same time there are other agencies which God calls into requisition to teach and instruct His people. He has placed in His Church Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Teachers, etc. He has given unto them certain specified duties. He requires them to discharge those duties in His fear, and holds them accountable for the condition