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Reports of conferences held in Kanesville, Iowa, and vicinity, as recorded by high council clerk Evan M. Greene and other clerks. Besides providing information about governance of LDS Iowa settlements by presiding officer Orson Hyde and his associates, items in this series also describe plans for immigration to Utah and document concerns of Church leaders about the California gold rush and also about the activities of Lyman Wight, George Miller, and Alpheus Cutler.

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page 1 Friday April 6th 1849 .after meeting had commenced

E. Hyde - The S. Mill about to be built on muscoto is complained of - it will overflow, & injure

tis S. some threatend to injure it, the people there & they who will

suffer- if frontier cant agree, the laws of Iowa of minds for the

removal if it is injurious - let those off[----] k& the Miller

meet togr & decide if they can agree be dr[----] if nit the law will dei[---]

organize & agree to abide the devisision -- Adopt- ed by vote-

G. A. Smith - Sd Cd scarcely bring all but fully before this Confer in the

time all [----] to us - will present a few items on the present [----]

19 yrs Since the church was organized, & Baptisim had commenced

we are old enough to avoid many Circumstances we have to

encounter. - we can raise frot oproduce, but cannot becs if

in cities -- let us take a course beneficial for all.

let meetings be kept up in each branch. -& the quorum meet

reguly. & on at least each quo from each branch sh attend to bring

the arrangements & decisions to the people. - if we neglect the poor

God will neglect us.if we cloth them with meys he may clothe us so,

if we feed with Turuiss he may feed us so. God E have made

then rich, but he did not . - Al[---] Babbitt has been to Washington

to have the Valley organized into the Utan Ferry, if so be it so

our going there is for a difft object. - The rich are about to go to the Valley,

& leave the poor a burthren here, besides hhds who are coming on.

one [--] told me a few days ago that in his branch

6 families were

abt to go out of 30 faml & will leave 24 faml with 2
teams I want

to see prepale fect, to see all go who can,& Crops
put in for those left.

wants those going to put in Crops & leave for the
poor.

E. T. Benson -twill go in for Salt instead of gold. I
hear of brethren about to

go to the gold mines it may be all right but will
hear more of it

during Confce .. We can go in for Salt, & then for
the Gold. let us go in for

Stock & raise out own teams Chickens & the Lord
has laid out

California for the prepate to go & gather Gold
while we prepare here

for the Valley. This is the goodly and the L spoke of
let us put in Crops

& have next winter for those left, believes the peo-
ple will

do right, I will

go or stay, this is not our abiding place at the Sod
is good.. I want

to go to the Valley & G. A. Smith also, we are one
part of the poor we are the

bes people on the face of then Earth, & room for
improvement .

O. Hyde .- Wish to say something abt the God . or
man is safe who goes by

Col is safe, but a man who slips away to get Gold,
the Lord says

let hinger & he

let him go & he will leave them in the midst of
famine Bowie knife, Chal[--]