in their endeavors to teach our youth; and then see that they are properly re-
munerated for their services.

Some people talk about the great ig-
norance of the "Mormons." In regard to
education we are the peers of the United
States. We, it is true, do not possess
such notable academies and universities
as may be found in the great centers of
our nation, but official figures show our
educational status to be above that of
the average of the United States. And
I may add, that our grade of literacy is
higher than that of the nation. When
we take into consideration the fact that
we have not received one penny from any
outside source, while the leading institu-
tions of learning have realized millions,
yes scores of millions of dollars to en-
able them to educate their youth. This
is something that we have a right to be
proud of. Then let us continue to encour-
age education; and let our trustees be
alive to supply the schoolhouses with all
the necessary charts and books; let them
not feel niggardly in regard to these
things. And above all, let everything we
do conspire to advance the interests of
the Church and Kingdom of God upon
the earth.

I feel like saying, God bless you, my
brethren and sisters. And God bless
Brother Budge, who is doing a good work
in England, and who, by the way, will be
back among you very shortly. And God
bless Brother Hart and Brother Osmond,
and the High Council, and the Bishops
and their counselors, and may God bless
the Elders and the Seventies, and the
High Priests, together with the Relief
Societies and Mutual Improvement As-
sociations; and may God bless all men
who love Israel, and who are desirous to
keep the commandments of God; and the
Lord help us to be true to our religion,
and true to our God, and true to our in-
tegrity, that we may be saved ultimately
in the Celestial Kingdom of God. I ask it
in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Elder Erastus Snow Then made the
following remarks: I feel that we have
had a feast of fat things this morn-
ing; that the remarks made by President
Taylor have been replete with genuine
truths, and full of instruction and coun-
sel, and that blessing will abide with
all those who permit these instructions
to find place in their hearts and under-
standings.

While President Taylor was treating
upon the order of the Priesthood, the his-
tory of which has been given in the Bible
through Moses, and also in certain rev-
elations given unto this Church through
the Prophet Joseph Smith, he awakened
a train of reflection that carried the mind
back from the time of Moses to that
of Abraham, Noah, Enoch and Adam.
Adam was the first man appointed of
God as the ruler of the earth; to him it
was said, thou shalt have dominion over
the earth and over the things therein.
And as he began to multiply and re-
plenish the earth, and as his children
and their families increased in the land,
there was a right of dominion given; it
was called the birthright, and it belongs
to the firstborn of the sons. And this
seems to have been an order existing in
the heavens even before Adam. For it is
written of Jesus, the Lamb of God, that
he was the firstborn of many brethren.
Moreover, his rights of dominion as the
firstborn continued with him because
he loved righteousness and hated iniqu-
ity; therefore was he anointed with the
oil of gladness above his fellows. But