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light of God may go forth from Zion
and His name be honored in all the
earth, and that He may reign from
pole to pole and from shore to shore for-
ever and ever. Amen.

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Discourse by President George Q. Cannon, delivered in the Meetinghouse,
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Reported by John Irvine.

I am greatly pleased at having the oppor-
tunity of meeting with the Latter-day
Saints in this place, and I trust that our
meeting will be profitable to all. It is
a most excellent thing to come together
as we have done today, and as we shall
do tomorrow, and have an interchange of
views and partake of that spirit which
is accessible to all of us—that is, to all
those who have placed themselves in a
position to receive it, by keeping the com-
mandments of God.

We have had from Brother Lyman
much good instruction, and if it is
remembered and carried out practi-
cally in our lives it will be of great
profit to us. There is one thing that
suggested itself to me in listening to his
closing remarks, and that is, that if there
are any strangers here—I suppose there
may be—I am not so well acquainted
with your people as I might be—they
will imagine that we are dwelling con-
siderably on this idea of listening to the
counsels of the Priesthood. If there is
anything more objectionable than an-
other in the eyes of those who are op-
posed to this work called "Mormonism,"
it is that feature of it. I do not think
there is any feature that is so much
disliked and so much found fault with
as that peculiar feature of our religion
which requires us to listen to the coun-
sels of the Priesthood. In this respect we