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# HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE SEVENTIES.

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NAMES OF THE FIRST AND SECOND QUORUMS.

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ITEMS IN RELATION TO THE FIRST PRESIDENCY OF  
THE SEVENTIES.

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ALSO, A BRIEF GLANCE AT

## ENOCK AND HIS CITY

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By JOSEPH YOUNG, SEN.

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## VOCAL MUSIC.

Man of himself is an instrument of music; and when the chords of which he is composed are touched, and salute the ear, the sounds appeal to his spirit and the sentiment to his understanding. If the strains are harmonious, he endorses and enjoys them with supreme delight; whether the tones are from a human voice or from an instrument, they arrest his attention and absorb his whole being.

This subject came under the especial notice of Joseph Smith, the Prophet, who organized the first choir in the church, and who was a constant attendant at their singing schools. He recommended the Saints to cultivate as high a state of perfection in their musical harmonies as the standard of the faith which he had brought was superior to sectarian religion. To obtain this, he gave them to understand that the refinement of singing would depend on the attainment of the Holy Spirit. That the combined talent of the sainted composers, when united with those inspirations, will bring compositions of tunes, that have their origin with the sacred choirs that sing the new song, in the presence of God and the Lamb, who join their symphonies with the composers, that dwell with the Saints on earth; and when the music performed here, is acceptable to their spirits, they then cooperate with the choirs, in our earthly courts.

"When this subject is studied and sought after by the singers of the Saints, with their whole hearts, their songs and anthems, and their minstrelsy, will soften into celestial melody, melt the hearts of the Saints and draw them together, as the magnet needle is drawn to the loadstone. When these graces and refinements and all the kindred attractions are obtained that characterized the ancient Zion of Enoch, then the Zion of the last days will become beautiful, she will be hailed by the Saints from the four winds, who 'will gather to Zion with songs of everlasting joy.' Then Zion will be free, and to God and the Lamb will be the glory, to Saints the boundless joy."

## SONG.

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BY THE AUTHOR.  
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Hark! ye heralds, hear the whisp'ring,  
Of the spirit from on high;  
Gently hov'ring o'er your vision,  
Showing you the hour is nigh:

### CHORUS:

When the Gospel trump of gladness,  
You will publish far and near;  
And the meek who sit in sadness,  
Wait to hail the Jubilee year.

To the islands and the nations,  
Lo, your wayward steps you'll bend;  
Publishing your proclamations,  
Sweeping earth from end to end.  
Chorus - When the Gospel trump, etc.

In the cities, on the mountains,  
Spirit waking trumpet blow;  
Bathing in baptismal fountains,  
All that will to Zion go.  
Chorus - When the Gospel trump, etc.

Let not trifles e'er prevent you;  
Pride, nor lust, to dim your sight;  
Leaning on His arm, who sent you,  
He will always guide you right.  
Chorus - When the Gospel trump, etc.

Flaming heralds of salvation;  
All who're faithful shall return.  
Glean the wheat from ev'ry nation,  
While the tares are left to burn.  
Chorus - When the Gospel trump, etc.