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## CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will convene in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, at 10 o'clock, on Friday morning, April 5th, 1895.

The officers and members of the Church generally are cordially invited to attend the meetings of the Conference.

WILFORD WOODRUFF,
GEORGE Q. CANNON,
JOSEPH F. SMITH.

### Special Conference Appointments.

Thursday, 4th—Bond County Conference, Assembly Hall. Meetings commencing at 10 a. m., 2 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sunday, 7th—German meeting, Assembly Hall, 5 p. m.

Sunday, 7th, Sunday School Union, Tabernacle, 7 p. m.

## A MANLY DISCLAIMER.

The editor of the NEWS received some two weeks ago the following manly letter:

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,
March 2, 1895.

*My Dear Sir.*—I have been much annoyed by suggestions and insinuations to the effect that I either wrote or in some way aided in the recent publication in the New York Times reflecting upon Mr. Geo. Q. Cannon. I neither wrote nor aided in such, and, in fact, in the present instance, opportunity for denial has not been presented.

I wish, if the opportunity arises, that you will convey to Mr. Cannon the assurance that I make, that I had nothing to do with the publication, and knew nothing about the same until it appeared. I am trying to entirely mind my own business. I make no anonymous attacks. When I say, I say publicly. Whenever I write appears over my own signature.

Very truly yours,
G. W. PRATT.

In replying to this letter, which we marked "confidential," the editor of the NEWS stated that any injunction against its publication be removed—the desire was expressed that the communication might be printed. In a second letter of recent date (in response to a request) Judge Powers replied: "In view of recent publications in the New York Times, and continued suggestions that I am in some way responsible therefor, you may act your pleasure in regard to printing my letter."

Our pleasure is to give the letter all the publicity possible—not indeed because in the minds of those most interested there was any suspicion that the gentleman was the author of the anonymous slanders, but because others have perhaps done him injustice by such suspicion, and principally because he asserts the courage that every man who sends another to print ought to possess—the manhood to accept public responsibility for his attack. It is our further pleasure to state that whatever differences the editor of the NEWS or any one else may have had with Judge Powers, we have never deemed him and have never heard it said of him that he was either a coward or a snake; we believe it will be generally conceded that his methods as an antagonist are not those of the masked midnight assassin or the skulking traitor, but rather those of the unknown, avowed enemy, who fights hard but open, and as such is always deserving of respect.

His second letter concludes with a sentiment that is pretty well recognized as sound and sensible—one that may explain to a good many shallow and suspicious intellects why those most affected by the New York Times's falsehoods are content to treat them with silent contempt. After withdrawing the injunction of "confidential" from the letter which we have above quoted in full, Judge Powers says: "At the same time I feel that it rarely pays one to attempt to meet all that is said against him in any other way than to let his life speak for the truth, which in the end prevails."

We approve and applaud this most manly, and commend it, and the whole correspondence as quoted, to two or three growling things that crawl and snarl around among decent people without as much decency and courage as belong to an earthworm.

## WHAT THE RECORD TELLS.

When the work in the paving district was done there were a few property owners in the business quarter who applied for and gained temporary exemption from the City Council order requiring the sidewalks to conform to the fixed grade. These exempted walks are not only unsightly and a public inconvenience, but have been the occasion of damage suits against the city. For instance, no one, the slope of which varies from that established and is such as to be dangerous to pedestrians is not wanted, a man slipped and fell. In trying to save himself he caught his arm against some nails attached to the building adjacent, severely injuring him. He now has a $15,000 damage suit against the city. On another of these substandard sidewalks a lady fell and received injuries for which there is now a $5,000 suit against the municipality. Besides these there are other claims for damage from the same source.

Since the temporary exemption was granted there have been three efforts in the City Council to have these sidewalks conform to the requirements of the law and to be met by others. The first time this was done, the Council passed a resolution entailing compliance. The owners of the unsatisfactory sidewalks got to work, and the next meeting the Council rescinded its action. A few months later a second resolution of similar character to the first was adopted and referred to the board of public works to carry out. The property owners rallied again and secured a report to the Council recommending that the change be not made, for the reason it was late in the season and lousy weather was approaching. That disposed of under another law. The third time was this month. The resolution passed all right, as on former occasions, but the owners affected again said their labors were met with success, for at the last session of the Council action was taken practically rescinding the order for conformity to grade, passed for the third time.

The direction for grade requirements to be complied with is in accord with the rule of treating all property owners alike. The repeated remonstrance of owners therefore shows how a special law can be and are favored over the march. The lots of property owners had to come to time in good shape, but for those few—well, the record speaks.

## A RAILWAY THOUGHT.

A Washington dispatch of date of March 14 gives an account of an interview between C. P. Huntington of the Southern Pacific and the secretary of the interior, in which the former pleaded against the latter having an order directing that no more land patents issue to the Pacific roads until there has been a settlement of the indebtedness of those companies. No doubt the request of Mr. Huntington will receive due consideration, for the interest in which it is made has vast influence in legislation in Congress as well as in the states where the greater portion of its property lies. But whatever may have been the case in the past, it must not be assumed that this influence is paramount today, powerful as it is. This was proved in the opposition which overcome the Reilly bill in the last Congress; and the probability is that the future will reveal a good many things to tear the flesh of the Southern Pacific "octopus," as it is frequently termed on the coast.

The trouble which afflict the Southern Pacific are not a few; nor is the threatened action of the secretary of the interior the most serious with which it has to contend. A few of its difficulties may be named for illustration, and the act be noted that they are being given vitality by the action of "the silent voters"—the common people. For instance, the recent municipal election in Oakland, which was a complete surprise to politicians, put into office a new lot of men, one of whom, the mayor, made the anti-election declaration that if successful he would give the railways a municipal administration such as they had never known before. Evidently the people wanted that, for it was a notable issue of the contest. The railways therefore have had their own way there, and now they are to have a change. There is no prospect that the Southern Pacific will be given peace, for on the same platform with Mayor Davis was elected as one of the Oakland council J. M. Roseen, an able and determined foe of the railway, and especially of C. P. Huntington. Mr. Roseen has a good deal of public information, for he was private secretary to Senator Stanford for fourteen years. He was one of those sent to Washington by San Francisco to fight the Reilly funding bill, which was defeated; he started the fight on the title to the Oakland water front, valued at $20,000,000, and the suit went against the railway companies, and is now under appeal; Davis, Roseen and a third man shot all the railway men with shotguns till the case was forced to the courts. These, and incidents that show the attitude of other members of the Oakland council, indicate that the new administration there will be a lively thorn in the railway corpse.

Thus there was the exquisite irony by Senator W. J. Higgy, in the California legislature on Tuesday, and telegraphed over the country as the sensation of the legislative session. Mr. Higgy told how the railway was controlling the legislature, and how the combination of twenty-three senators which terminated that kind were getting seven to eight thousand dollars each out of the deal. This sort of revelation is the outcropping of a number of others, among them Rosalia Wilding-Ia, who said: "I cannot go into any part of this building without meeting a paid agent of the Southern Pacific company in secret conversation with a member of some committee. I cannot go into the corridor without being followed by a Southern Pacific company lobbyist. I cannot go into the lobby committee room without meeting a railroad employee. Wherever I go I meet him." Of course all this takes money, and the best investigation as well as the exposure is supposed to be lavished upon the railway.

Occasions indeed may be named. It will be remembered that it was a little while since the lumber men had explosive was adding, the railway coming of company. Now the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen have an important grievance, which General Master H. E. Williams has gone all the way from Hamburg, Ill., to settle if he can. The trainmen, who include conductors and brakemen, have to make so many miles for a month's pay. The minimum understood as "allowance" by the railway officials called time-and-a-half, is not satisfactory, as it necessarily increases the amount of work. For instance, the full 100 division run was raised from 3,000 to 4,000 miles, and others in proportion. The trainmen have offered to meet the railway half way, and make the full 100 run 3,500 miles, with a proportionate arrangement for the others. This proposition was rejected by Superintendent Fillmore on Tuesday, and the trainmen are now holding meetings with General Manager Towne. The officials are not disposed to make any concessions, and the trainmen say that if they get no redress for their grievance, the railway can count on them getting even, though in what way is not intimated.

These, and many other events that might be cited, go to show that the great railway corporation has many trouble to contend with. Internally or externally, it seems to be doing its share to invite the antagonism of the mass of the people and array them solidly against the railways on every opportunity. Its real claim on the gratitude of the community for the mighty work it has done in developing the interests and resources of the state is largely lost sight of, and by its own undue exacts the unreasonable hatred and the united attacks of its enemies are stimulated into a seemingly righteous crusade. A great many good things can be truthfully said about the Southern Pacific if it would only pursue such a course as to allow them to be said with any prospect of a hearing.

G. W. Abbott, of Brighton, and Miss Emma Lois, of Denver, Colorado, fixed their wedding for Wednesday last. The time of the ceremony was set for 12 o'clock, but the heavy snowfall delayed the train which was to bear the young man from Brighton. At 11:45 the prospective groom had not arrived, and efforts began to take a serious turn. Then a telegram was received, explaining the cause of the delay and stating that the senior was coming. At 4 o'clock a horse dashed up to the house where the wedding party was assembled. It had covered twelve miles in thirty-seven minutes. When the train was held up by the snow, Mr. Abbott left it and hired a team of a nonbeliever, reaching the destination in time to receive a summons at 1:05. If Mr. Abbott always displays such eagerness to keep his appointments with the lady who becomes his bride, he will cause an important point in favor of connubial bliss.

THE BILL to authorize Los Angeles county to issue bonds for the building of a railway to Salt Lake was defeated in the California senate by a vote of 16 ayes to 17 noes. The chief arguments against it urged its unconstitutionality. The list of those voting on business men are classed as "Southern Pacific senators," among them being the persons whom Senator Biggy recently charged with corruption, and whose conduct is to be investigated by a grand jury.

THE CHICHAMAS announces the departure from Finland, via the steamer which is to take the first shipload of colored emigrants from the southern States to Liberia. The new opening to the African republic may at last lay negroes from the South yet the evidence there is complaint with the United States are not such as to encourage the hope for an extensive exodus of the black race from this country.

IN A SERMON on "Our country's good," the other Sunday, the Rev. C. H. Payne, D. D., summed up the whole matter as follows:

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