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The Sixty-sixth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will commence in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, April 6th, 1896.

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

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WE ARE SOLD AGAIN.

Some people seem to think that repeating a statement gives it additional strength, provided it had any strength in the first place. If so, our neighborly contemporary the Herald is adding strength to its "argument" in favor of only lawyers compiling and codifying the laws. The relevancy of the ground taken that surgeons should alone in certain cases be in attendance on a patient will be seen at a glance, especially when clothed as it is with the query, "should blacksmiths and wheelwrights be called to?" Nonsense these or other men who are gifted in muscular power have to be called in; to fan, the operation could not in every case be performed without cook, and yet, to adopt our neighbor's logic and make it apply throughout, the subject operated on would be better off with only those who hold diplomas jawing and pulling at him! Even if this were true—and it has been repeated one way and another often enough to make all but those who will not do so believe—we still fail to see wherein a lack which is assigned to be of benefit to the whole body politic, even though having but one gazette subject, can only be successfully brought together and properly put forth by gentlemen engaged in one particular walk in life and no other. Many hands make light work, and a diversity of intellect offener than otherwise makes good work, especially when diverse interests are to be considered.

THE OVERCOMERS.

There is in Jerusalem an American colony widely known both among native Christians in Palestine and among tourists visiting the ancient city of David. Its headquarters is by the Damascus gate, and its members have a reputation for never-ceasing weldedness among the poor and needy. They seem to live for the sole purpose of benefiting their fellow-men, and their reason for selecting Jerusalem as their central place of abode is that they expect the second advent of the Man of God and desire to be there, where they expect His appearance to be manifested. Attention to this little colony has been called recently by the fact that the founder has been in Chicago and gathered nearly entirely followers who are about to join the little flock, swelling its numbers to about one hundred.

The leader and founder of the colony is Mrs. Anna Spafford, wife of the late Horatio G. Spafford, a prominent Chicago lawyer. A most tragic experience in her life was the beginning of her new career. A friend of Mrs. Spafford tells her story in a Chicago paper as follows:

One year after Mr. Spafford sailed for Europe with his children and was to join them in Paris, the ship carrying the party collided with another vessel and sank. Mr. Spafford was saved, but his children were lost. A message to the effect that all were drowned was received by the father, and he was left alone in the world. He proceeded to Jerusalem, where he had made a home for his family, and there he was joined by his wife, who had escaped with the children in the boats. Mrs. Spafford was a woman of great faith, and she had taught her children to believe that God would care for them. The children, however, had been lost, and the mother was left alone with her husband. Mr. Spafford was a man of means, and he was a lawyer of good standing. He was a good friend and counselor to many in need, and he was well known in Jerusalem. He was a man of great faith, and he was a good Christian