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## CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-ninth annual, general Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will assemble in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, on Saturday, April 4, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m. A full attendance of the officers and members is hereby requested.

The general Priesthood meeting will be held in the Tabernacle on Saturday. April 4, at 7 o'clock p. m. JOSEPH F. SMITH.

JOHN R. WINDER. ANTHON H. LUND. First Presidency.

The annual conference of the Sunday School Union will be held in the Tabernacle on Sunday, April 5, at 7 o'clock JOSEPH F. SMITH,

General Superintendent.

#### CHANGE OF FASTDAY.

The first Sunday of April being Conference Sunday, it is suggested that Sunday, March 29, be observed as a fast day in Salt Lake, Ensign, Liberty, Pioneer, Jordan, Granite and Davis Stakes, and any other Stake in which the Stake authorities find that the regular fastday services are interfered with by the General Conference,

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND, First Presidency.

#### RELIEF SOCIETY CONFERENCE.

The April conference of the General Relief society will be held in the Salt Lake Assembly hall in this city, meetings commencing on Thursday, April 2, 1908, at 10 a. m., and at 2 p. m., and on Friday, April 3, at the same place and the same hours, two sessions each day. All officers and members of the society are earnestly requested to be present. The Young Ladies and Primary associations are also included in this invitation. Presiding authorities of the Church, bishops and brethren interested in Relief Society work will be most welcome

BATHSHEBA W. SMITH, President. ANNIE TAYLOR HYDE, IDA SMOOT DUSENBERRY, Counselors.

The question is not whether the citizens have confidence in Mayor Bransford and the City Council; for these gentlemen, have proved that they are not independent public, servants, no matter how good their intentions may be. They have proved that they are but marionettes manipulated by the party bosses. The question therefore is: Is the record of the bosses, such as to command further public confidenco?

The City is already owing over \$4,000.000. That means, in round numbers, about \$60.00 for every man, woman and child in the City. It is proposed to make the City government cost, say \$1,500,000 this year. That neans that every man, woman and child will have to pay \$20.00 for the privilege of being "ruled" by "Amerian" party "hierarchs."

It is to no purpose to compare our situation with that of more fortunate cities. A good, honest, and capable government may be cheap at \$50 @ nead, while grafters may be dear at cents per capita.

It is too early to ask for another half a million dollars in addition to the regular taxes. Give the public a true eport for the last year, first. The law gives the citizens the right to such a eport. It has been promised week after week. Why is it not forthcoming?

#### VICTORY FOR THE RIGHT.

The Supreme Court of Idaho, in de ciding the case manufactured by Dubois supporters against Judge Alfred Budge in favor of the latter, hus in an indirect way administered a well deserved rebuke to a gang of politicians, to whom nothing is too sacred to be dragged into the dust of their campaign, just as the Senate did when deciding that the anti-'Mormon" agitators had failed to prove their charges against Senator Smoot after years of effort. The decision of the Idaho Supreme court should settle for ever any effort at disfranchising loval citizens of the Gem state.

As we have explained before, the question in dispute was whether the constitution of Idaho prohibits a citizen from holding the belief that a marriage covenant is entered into for eternity, as well as time. The contention of the opposition was that the term "celestial marriage" in the constitution does not refer to "plural marriage," but that it is used in a purely theological sense so that if a man believes that his marriage covenant with his wife lasts for both time and eternity, he is disfranchised by that instrument. By that easoning the anti-"Mormons" hoped to deprive every Church member in the state of the franchise, since the doctrines of the Church teach the eternity of the marriage covenant.

But the Supreme court takes a different view. It holds that celestial marriage refers to a state after this life, over which the courts have no jurisdiction, and that a man has a right to protection in whatever he believes concerning the future. That was, of course, the only view possible, under American institutions.

The prosecution proves the malice and mallness of soul of anti-"Mormons." They do not hesitate to attack the liberty of conscience of fellow-citizens, if by so doing they can raise dust clouds behind which to cover their own selfish plots. It proves again the hollowness of anti-"Mormon" pretenses. Whenever "Mormonism" is judged by impartial and competent tribunals it comes out victorious. It stands the test every time.

It should be remembered that one of the claims frequently made by anti-'Mormons," before the country, is this, that all they ask is that "Mormons"

Of this long battle the end is not yet in sight. Dr. G. Stanley Hall has this time preipitated the present conflict. He is one of the champions of the plainer education. He says that "The time spent in mastering these ghastly, ghostly tongues [Greek and Latin] might be so much better spent in mastering something that would be of some use to the

pupil. That classical scholarship includes much that is merely ornamental is virtually admitted by the defenders of classical learning. Thus the London Saturday Review admits that the local English colleges devoted to scientific ourses, bring the higher education of the modern and practical type within reach of young men and women who cannot afford to spend several years at a distance from their homes. "By undertaking this side of the national training they leave the older seats of earning free to pursue a somewhat loftier ideal of culture, and avert the supposed necessity of bringing Oxford and Cambridge down to the requirements of students whose first concern must be to learn something which shall be immediately useful in their future

callings.' When we reflect that within the ter. memory of men now living both Oxford

and Cambridge recognized practically only three really accredited lines of study-Latin, Greek and mathematicsand has since grudgingly admitted othr branches of learning including the ciences, we can see how far removed the modern college is from the former dassical standard.

Whatever function it may be that the incient languages have in colleges it is lear that their present dominance in high school courses is open to grave loubt. Of what use is it for the youth o learn in a very imperfect manner ust enough Latin and Greek to prove that he knows little of either, if that knowledge is to be gained at the expense of the scientific and the practical? The classical languages at best furnish only one element of training, and in modern life that element does ot predominate.

The study of words is important in its place; the memorizing of the words of foreign languages serves some purpose; but the study of our own tongue is of more importance than either of

If Alida Hunt insists that she is not dead, then that should end the matter.

Anyway, Professor Eaton now knows that his fire alarm is in good working order.

Charles Schwab's poverty, however, will not be taken in hand by any of New York's charitable institutions.

That was a dog gone good eatch Dona, a canine member of the New York police force, made yesterday. The charges and counter charges in

the A. Hart McKee divorce scandal in Paris seem to be more foul the more they are stirred. An anti-"Mormon" print suggests

that a rival editor be killed. That is not new. Anti-"Mormonism" and murder are old friends.

When the autoists of this city get that \$40,000 speedway we hope they will get the notion out of their heads that all the city's busy streets are for them alone.

We observe that in the case wherein the Tribune accused Dr. George E. Hyde of violating the law in Idaho as relating to plural marriage, its infor-

## A SERMONET FOR WORKERS

#### (By H. J. Hapgood.)

One lesson taught by the near-panic, which we have just experienced, is that the business man of today is ruled much more by sentiment than he is himself willing to admit.

Scarcity of money did not cause the flurry in Wall street, which reverberated throughout the entire Union. It was "scared money" that did it. There is as much money now in the country as before and during the crisis, and the only thing that happened is that scared people all of a sudden began to put scared money away in their stockings nstead of banking it. The scare spread like wild-fire from State to State, stocking feet deposits became the rage, and bank vaults were drained of the last dollar. That was all the "panic' amounted to, and when you come to analyze the forces that are responsible for it you will discover, not common sense, but the inbred, aboriginal sentiment of fear which has always dominated mankind ever since the first herd of cattle stampeded at the call of a bird, to the latest fire scare in a thea-

Employers have been laying off thousands of workers in all fields. Rather than take back their old men at reduced salaries most employers prefer new men who will make good on the same basis. Present conditions would thus seem to favor the man who has lost his job and who is anxious to work again and work harder than before at less money than at the start. This is in itself a great opportunity for the man who can make good in the face of obstacles, the man who can and will work for two at the wage of one. Employers are in a position now when they simply can't help appreciating this brand of worker, and his prospects for quick promotion and a commanding post are really better than before the flurry. Then employers could afford to carry on their pay rolls men of average ability, and even men below the average; now they cannot afford to bother with any man who cannot make good, and to the man who remains staunch and loyal under the stress of low pay and hard work there ar prices of appreciation in store.

If your employer will not pay then omebody else's employer will.

## TIRED OF GRAFT

San Francisco Call. The people of Alameda county are beginning to wake up to the crying need of organizing a movement to get need of organizing a movement to get rid of the grafting board of supervi-sors which has discredited the whole financial system of the county and has brought the tax payers face to face with a deficit. As a matter of fact, the cities on the east side of the bay have as much use for the board of super-visors on its present basis, as a coach has for a fifth wheel. As an instru-ment of government it exists solely to fatten a conscienceless ring of grafters, headed by W. E. Dargie. As the ine-vitable result taxation is high and ex-travagance runs riot. The most ob-vious way of escape is the consolidation of Berkeley, Oakland and Alameda un-der one city government, and some measure of this character is certain to grow out of the movement institu-od by the Goud Conservent hum of to grow out of the movement institut-ed by the Good Government league as a natural and jogical result.

THE NEW PURITANISM.

President King of Oberlin College, It must correct the Puritan lack of tenderness, but without sentimentalism. It must correct the Puritan lack of breadth, but without a false and un-discriminating tolerance that is mere indifferentism. It must correct the Puritan false asceticism, but without an equally false realism that would exait the physical above the spiritual. It must correct the Puritan under-estima-tion, almost contempt, of beauty, but tion, almost contempt, of beauty, but without that false aestheticism that forgets the artist is first of all a man, and must regard above all, the har-mony of his own being, and seek in his life the ideal expression highest ideals. And the new Puritanism must add not less the great positives of the modern spirit, the scientific sense of unity, law, growth and the need of time in the entire moral and spiritual use life.





#### ASKING FOR MORE.

It was Daniel Webster who on one occasion said:

"When the mariner has been tossed for many days in thick weather, and on an unknown sea, he naturally avails himself of the first pause in the storm, the earliest glance of the sun, to take his latitude, and ascertain how far the elements have driven him from his true course. Let us imitate this pru-dence, and, before we float farther on the waves of this debate, refer to the point from which awe departed, that point from which we departed, that we may at least be able to conjec-ture where we now are."

That is what the citizens of this City ought to do, provided the sky is clear enough to let any sunlight through at all, as far as concerns the public finances. Where are we, and whither are we drifting?

The so-called "American" administration started with over a million dollars in the treasury. The money had been borrowed to enable the Council to obtain more water for the City and extend the sewers. At the end of one year of extravagance and funny finances, the City faced a large deficit, and some ingenious apologist for graft invented the excuse that that deficit was an inheritance from the previous administration. By this falsehood it was hoped to satisfy criticism. truth is that the City's money had been squandered. The streets were in a most fearful condition. About \$70,000, or more, was paid for the white washting of the conduit, on the false represensation that it was not water tight. That is a sample of "American" financeering. It is typical of the system.

The second year was a campaign year, and the party had to make a showing in the line of "improvements And so an almost feverish activity was developed during the summer and fall in the paving line. But the improvement was not the first consideration. It served a double purpose. It provided votes, and graft. But so recklessly was the money spent that, in spite of the highest rates of taxation in the history of the City, it is now about bankrupt. So bad is the financial record of last year that "American" party rulers have not dared to permit their tools to publish a true report, to this date, though the law requires the Auditor to have such a report ready for publication on or before the first Monday in February. And yet they ask the citizens for more money to spend? The despots guilty of broken promises, of inefficiency, of extravagance, not to say tricks and rascality, ask for another half a million to spend as they have spent the millions already entrusted to their tender mercies. There is where we are,

Are the citizens willing to furnish more funds to be expended by men who dare not, as the law provides, give a true report of their expenditures?

onform to the law. That sounds well, But it is mockery. There was no harge of law-breaking against Judge Budge. His official and private life is vithout flaw. And yet he was attacked. The truth is that anti-"Mormons" would disfranchise every Latter-day Saint and reduce them to a condition of servitude without representation and

without vote. They have succeeded in proving this beyond the possibility of lispute

## OUR SCHOOLS.

ment.

According to the Annual Report of he Board of Education, the number d pupils enrolled in the Salt Lake ublic schools is 15,742, an increase of 19 over last year. School is taught in 30 different buildings by 422 teachrs, including principals and supervisors. The attendance is given as 94.5 per cent. The estimated value of school property is \$1,444,140.60. The cost of superintendence and instruc-

tion is \$288,460.00, and the cost of books and supplies, \$21,594.21. The otal cost of maintaining the schools is \$25.39 per capita based on enrol-A comparative statement recently

made, showing what each state pays for educational purposes, places Utah in the fourteenth place from the head of the list. Utah, it is said, pays \$5.94 per capita. The following direct. tates are ahead: North Dakota \$11.85; Washington, \$10.84; Idaho

\$9,12; Colorado, \$8.31; Nevada, \$7.81 California, \$7.30; New Jersey, \$7.25 New York, \$7,19; Montana, \$7,17; South Dakota, \$6.75; Oregon, \$6.33; Massachusetts, \$6.32; Minnesota \$6.07. Then comes Utah, with \$5.94. Utah is ahead of the following states: Illinois, \$5.37; Rhode Island. \$5.23; Nebraska, \$5.11; Wyoming, \$4.85; Indiana, \$4.66; Wisconsin, \$4.63, Ohio, \$4.57; Connecticut, \$4.47; Kansas, \$4.35; Michigan, \$4.30; Misouri, \$4.23; West Virginia, \$3.99; Vermont, \$3.80; Maine, \$3.64; New Hampshire, \$3.58; Maryland, \$2.86; Delaware, \$2.81; Texas, \$2.68; Florida, \$2.31; Louislana, \$2.03; Arkansas,

\$1.84; Kentucky, \$1.71; Tennossee \$1.60; Mississippl. \$1.50; Virginia, \$1.28; Georgia, \$1.23; North Caro-Inu, \$1.21; South Carolina, \$1.94; Alabama, 85 cents. The average for the entire country s \$3.62. Utah is therefore far above the average in the per capita expen-

THE QUICK OR THE DEAD.

ditures for public schools,

The perennial dispute as to whether the dead or the living languages should orm the basis of language teaching in the colleges is again in vigorous action.

mation was about as reliable as usual with the organ of crooks.

Down at Nashville it is worth a man's life to attend a political convention. In order to be present with a full complement of credentials, each delegate should wear a six pistol and have in his coat pocket a mountain battery of howitzers.

Dr. David Joyne Hill will now admit that his efforts to please Prince Henry failed and that princes sometimes have petty traits stored away under gold-braided coats. When Hen was here everybody thought he was a prince of a good fellow.

Rockefeller thinks that fine of \$29. 240,000 is excessive and on that ground asks the court not to enforce its pay-For a long time many have ment. thought the price of oil excessive-but they have been compelled to pay the price set or go without it.

Are the Federal officers at San Fran cisco quite sure that the murder of D W. Stevens by Koreans is not an international question? Uncle Sam is not eager to have organized bands of murderers in this land and he should tell his neprews out 'Frisco way to probe deeply into the cause and probable effect of the affair, and to act with vigor in the path the finger post of duty may

## JUST FOR FUN. A Lonely Place,

Does she love you?

Does she love you? Undoubtedly. Then what makes you so downcast? She doesn't seem to love any one se, and there's such a dearth of ten-its in her heart that it's lonely there

#### Warm Praise.

The Old Lady-Lor', sir, I do love to ear you preach about 'eaven. You get to helloquent.-Sketch.

#### A True Lady Combatant-

"How long did the fight with your usband last?" "About tin minutes, yer Honor. Sure to lady would keep at it any longer." -Harper's Weekly.

#### We're Coming To It.

"Ot hear they do be sindin' messages now widout woires or poles. Faith, it's wondherful tolmes we're lich' in Dinnis!" "It is, Molke. Shure, th' way things is goin', we'll be able t' travel wid-out lavin' home wan av thim days,"---

An Apprehensive Parent.

Judge

Chauncey-So your father seemed disappointed when you told him I was

poet? Edith-Yes. He said he was afraid ome creditor would kill you before he got a chance .-- Chicago News.

## KOREA AND JAPAN.

### San Francisco Chronicle.

D. W. Stevens, diplomatic adviser to the Korean Council of State, says the Korean people have been greatly ben-ditted by Japanese protection and are cfitted by Japanese protection and are beginning to regard the occupation of their country more favorably. No one will doubt Mr. Stevens' statement, for experience demonstrates that all heffi-clent peoples are material gainers by having the business of self-government taken away from them, but somehow or other the idea of the survival of the fittest in governmental matters is repugnant to modera practice, which goes on the assumption that it is wiser to let the inefficient stew in the juice of their inefficiency until the pot bolts over and gives trouble to outsiders.



One of the delightful love storles of the month is "A Posiponed Proposal." It appears in the Red Book Magazine for April and is by Levis Gaston Leary. How a wedding was arranged after a multitude of vicissitides, by a twain of plain fathers-in-lay is the theme of a funny story by Harve Leving Greene of plain fathers-in-lav is the theme of a funny story by Harry Irving Greene. "'Liza Ann's Baby" had a series of the most extraordinary adventures that ever fell to the lot of an infant, as every one must agree who reads Ed-win A. Locke's story in the Red Book. A working boy's struggles in the face of a great temptation is powerfully disclosed in a short story entitled "The Secret Process" by William Hamilton Osborne.-158-164 State St., Chicago.

An interesting series of articles by Frederick Trevor Hil, entitled "The Stary of a Street," beins in the April Hørper's Magnale. The first instal-ment - "Wall Street in the Days of the Days of the ment-"Wall Street in the Days of the Datch"-recounts the exiciting times and curious happenings in the days when Wall street was really a walled speet and Broadway a weedy trail. Striking and realistic photographs sup-plement "The Passing of the Florida Alligator," in which A. W. Dimock describes an oxciting and picturesque sport which is fast enterminating the alligator from the Horida Ingoons, Charles H. Cuffin, I. "The Art of Thomas W. Dewing," writes of the work of a notable modern painter, "The Prench Element in English," by Prof. Dounsbury, tells of the Incursions of French words into the English lan-guage, and how they have become gauge, and how they have become wholly or in part natiralized. Henry W. Nevinson writes of "The Church o Ararat" and the brave and hardy lit Ararat," and the brave and hardy fit-the people in a little-known corner of the earlth that still deles Russian op-pression. "How the Bain Works," by Edward A. Ayres, M.I., is a readable and inferenting chapter unfolding the wonders of the most parvelous mech-anism known to man. Vance Thomp-son describes in "The Courtyards of Paris" some detureact and out-of-the Paris" some picturesquand out-of-the way hits of Paris, which Vernon Hows Eatley reproduce in a series of delightful black-and-white sketches.