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## GENERAL CONFERENCE

The Seventy-fifth annual Conference  
of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-  
day Saints will convene on Thurs-  
day, the 6th of April, and adjourn Fri-  
day afternoon until Sunday morning,  
and close Sunday afternoon.A general Priesthood meeting will  
be held on Friday night, commencing  
at 7:30.The special Priesthood meeting for the  
General and Presiding Authorities of the  
Church will be held in the Assem-  
bly Hall on Saturday morning, at 10  
o'clock.JOSEPH F. SMITH,  
JOHN R. WINDER,  
ANTHONY H. LUND,  
First Presidency.The general semi-annual conference  
of the Desert Sunday School Union  
will be held in the Tabernacle, Salt  
Lake City, Sunday, April 9, 1905, at 7  
o'clock, p. m. Officers and Sunday  
school workers are requested to attend  
and all are cordially invited.JOSEPH F. SMITH,  
GEORGE REYNOLDS,  
JOSEPH M. TANNER,  
General Superintendency.

## THE FOLLY OF IT.

The nonsense that is being uttered  
by portions of the press here and else-  
where, over what is called "free  
speech" has reached the sublime point  
of absurdity. We would like to know  
what church there is in "free America"  
which would tolerate the action of any  
person, whether a member or not, who  
would attempt to exercise that which  
he called "free speech" by arising in a  
public congregation whenever he chose  
for the purpose of attacking the  
preacher or any of the ministers of that  
church or association? What society  
is there in this country that would per-  
mit one of its members to publish,  
broadcast, accusations against its pre-  
siding or managing authorities, con-  
trary to its established rules and still  
retain his standing therein?The preachers and others who pre-  
tend to think that it is a dreadful thing  
for a member of the "Mormon" Church  
to be denied what they call "the right  
of free speech," that is to occupy the  
pulpits of the church or address a con-  
gregation from the floor, for the pur-  
pose of denouncing some dignitary  
against whom he has a grievance, or to  
proclaim some theory which he may  
deem important to the audience,  
would stare with astonishment if re-  
quired to submit to such assumptions  
themselves.There is a right way to do anything  
that is right, and usually several wrong  
ways. There is also a "time for all  
things." A right thing may be wrong-  
ly performed if done at the wrong time,  
and so as to the place where it is at-  
tempted to be done. When a person joins  
a church or other organization he is  
expected to submit to its rules and  
regulations. If he will not be governed  
by them, he should either step out of  
the body or be expelled for insubordi-  
nation, when he persists in his disor-  
derly conduct. It appears to us that  
there is no need to offer any argu-  
ment on this simple proposition. No  
sane individual, unless prompted by  
malice or opposition to the truth, would  
attempt to controvert it.It does not matter, however, whether  
this point be conceded or not. The  
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day  
Saints is an ecclesiastical system, gov-  
erned by law. It has courts and coun-  
cils and an order of discipline which is  
binding upon all its members. This is  
absolutely necessary for the main-  
tenance of that order which is one of  
the characteristics of the institution,  
and whether its opponents and malig-  
ners like it or not, that order will be up-  
held and sustained by the great masses  
of the members in good standing, and  
be regulated by the officers of their ap-  
pointment.The preachers and writers who at-  
tempt to provoke hostility to the  
Church because of its procedure in ac-  
cordance with its well understood pro-  
visions, may as well understand first  
as last that their mouthings will have no  
effect upon the Church, but will merely  
give evidence to thoughtful people that  
they have plunged into the depths of  
folly and are floundering in a muddle  
of their own making.

## THAT LOGAN FIASCO.

The Logan papers are in a pretty  
pickle. They raised a rumpus among  
the people of that lovely city, by pub-  
lishing the rank falsehood that mer-chants and others in this city were en-  
deavoring to take the Agricultural Col-  
lege away from Logan and bring it to  
Salt Lake City. They threatened to  
"retaliate" by stopping trade with our  
merchants and they breathed out  
threatening and trouble in general. The  
Deseret News pointed out the error  
of those papers and showed that the  
people who had, as they supposed, suc-  
ceeded in warding off the alleged evil,  
and celebrated the event by enthusiastic  
gatherings and otherwise were acting  
foolishly and were following blind  
guides.We showed that the purpose of the  
measure advocated by a large number  
of the members of the Legislature, sim-  
ply provided that the question of the  
consolidation of the State University  
and the Agricultural College, under  
one management, should be submitted  
to the vote of the citizens of this state  
at the election in 1906, in the form of  
a constitutional amendment, permitting  
legislation to that effect. That the  
matter would then be left to the Legis-  
lature, the purpose being, not to take  
the Agricultural College from Logan,  
but to stop the duplication of studies  
in the two institutions, and thus stop  
the increase of unnecessary expenses  
which have to be paid by the tax-  
payers.To all this there is no reply from the  
Logan rappers. But instead of any argu-  
ment against our position, they resort  
to little petty flings at this paper, un-  
worthy both of the Journal and the  
Republican. The latter had already  
conceded the absolute necessity of the  
changes contemplated, and yet now re-  
sorts to such knockdown arguments to  
the contrary as: "The saintly Deseret  
News says," so and so; and "The writ-  
er of the editorial in Friday's News is  
either a dishonest man or a fool." Such  
reasoning as that is of course unan-  
swerable. If the people of Cache Valley  
like that kind of pabulum, we are sur-  
prised at their taste.It does not matter, however, the  
facts remain as we stated them, and  
all the fuss and feathers that were  
kicked up over the proposition to sub-  
mit the question to the voters of the  
State, were so much noise and fury  
signifying nothing but following the  
lead of papers that knew not what  
they were fighting or were disposed to  
work deception upon the public. They  
are now fermenting in their own pickle.

## THAT PECULIAR REPORT.

The dispatch to Governor J. C. Cutler  
from President D. R. Francis, of the  
St. Louis Exposition Commission, pub-  
lished in the "News" of Wednesday  
evening, cleared up some matters which  
appeared to us very cloudy and doubt-  
ful. When the sub-committee appointed  
by the House committee of our State  
Legislature reported their visit to St.  
Louis and its results, our first impres-  
sion was that they had engaged in  
something entirely outside of their legiti-  
mate duty. What business they had  
to investigate the doings of the St.  
Louis Commission, of which Governor  
Francis was president, appeared to us  
inexplicable. It had no direct bearing  
upon the work of the Utah commission  
and seemed more like a piece of impertin-  
ence than anything else.We were also very much surprised  
at the alleged course pursued toward  
them by President Francis, whom we  
personally found on meeting him, to be  
a gentleman in every sense of the word,  
and whose general reputation in that  
respect was first-class. When it was  
reported by the sub-committee that on  
calling upon him he had snubbed them  
and treated them with contempt, we  
wondered what the cause could have  
been. That is all cleared up now.  
President Francis states that the com-  
mittee did not call upon him nor upon  
any of the Exposition officials. It seems  
they simply ran against him at the  
Third National bank in St. Louis, and  
that he "left the bank abruptly." Whether  
he was in a hurry or did not want  
to meet them there, does not ap-  
pear from any account that has been  
given.The notion, too, conveyed by the sub-  
committee that the sale of what were  
called "award ribbons" was carried on  
by or under the Exposition manage-  
ment, turns out to be incorrect, and the  
implication that the awards for Utah  
exhibits amount to nothing is also far  
aside from the truth. Award diplomas  
and medals are yet to be delivered to  
the successful competitors, and the rib-  
bons that were bought and sold, wheth-  
er "fraudulently" or otherwise, have  
no connection with the real awards  
made by the Exposition commission.It was perfectly proper to institute  
and carry on the investigation ordered  
by the House of Representatives, so  
that the conduct of the State commis-  
sion might be thoroughly investigated,  
but that, in our opinion, did not include  
a trip to St. Louis to pry into the ac-  
tions of the Louisiana Purchase Com-  
mission, at the head of which stood  
Governor Francis.It is unfortunate that Utah was made  
to look so thoroughly ridiculous in the  
eyes of the country, in attempting to  
meddle with the affairs over which it  
had no control. President Francis is  
naturally indignant at the report which  
was made part of our legislative pro-  
ceedings, and we hope Governor Cutler  
will see his way clear to making amends  
for this State by courteous explanation.

## BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

One of the leading financial journals  
of London is quoted to the effect that  
the commercial and industrial pros-  
pects of the United States are very  
bright. Several reasons are given for  
this opinion. The need of the Ameri-  
can people to live very economically,  
it is said, belongs to the past, and  
money is being spent with liberal hand.  
Then, the country has adapted itself  
to the new conditions and it is no longer  
possible to add to the producing  
power of its industries without large  
outlays of capital. The growing con-  
sumption of the nation will call for  
rapidly increasing capital outlays. In  
order that production may be corre-  
spondingly increased. Further, the  
growth of traffic passing over the rail-  
ways has been so vast that large cap-  
ital outlays upon equipment and im-provements are becoming essential.  
Then there is the promise of unprece-  
dented activity in building construction,  
which from present indications seems  
certain to be realized.It is considered very gratifying to  
find such optimistic forecasts in a for-  
eign publication of financial standing,  
since there would be no object for its  
appearance there, except a desire to  
present facts. There can be no reason  
why the American people should not  
enjoy prosperity in its full meas-  
ure, with peace prevailing within the  
borders of the country, and immeasur-  
able resources within the reach of in-  
telligently directed enterprise. And  
a generous share of this general pros-  
perity should fall to Utah, provided  
her conservative, intelligent business  
men, of all faiths and associations,  
unitedly keep under control the tur-  
bulent element that is doing its utmost  
to infect every healthy growth with the  
blight of strife.

## JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES.

A somewhat curious discussion has  
sprung up regarding Japan's probable  
designs on the Philippine Islands.Congressman Hull, among others, is  
quoted as having predicted a future  
conflict between Japan and this coun-  
try, concerning those islands. According  
to this view, if Japan wins against Rus-  
sia, it will proceed to the immense task  
of driving Occidentals out of landed  
possessions in the far east, and the  
United States will then come second to  
Russia.The gentleman quoted proceeds as fol-  
lows: "The Japanese need the Philippines,  
and they are certain they could wrest  
them from us. We must remember that  
in a war with them we should be in the  
same situation that Russia is now;  
Japan would be close to the scene of  
war, while we would be 7,000 miles from  
it. Even if we had a powerful fleet in  
Philippine waters we might have it  
crippled as Russia's was. Japan would  
prefer to buy the islands, and if it col-  
lects a great indemnity from Russia, it  
will have the money with which to buy.  
So the question may be put up to us  
very soon. If we do not want to sell,  
we can safely expect that the Japanese  
will not lose time in finding occasion  
for trouble with us. The United States  
must be powerful enough on the Pacific  
to keep Japan in fear of our navy, or  
else it can never hope to retain the is-  
lands."Replying to this forecast, Baron Ka-  
neko, former Japanese minister of jus-  
tice, hastens to assure the Americans  
that they need not fear any hostile de-  
signs from his government. He says:"As we try to be practical I can as-  
sure you, we shall never try to take  
the Philippines away from you, as some  
American recently said. Japan has too  
much gratitude for this country ever  
to make war upon it. Japan's great  
ambition is to engraft western science  
on eastern culture and to blend the oc-  
cidental and oriental civilization into  
one."This, no doubt, is the Japanese senti-  
ment at present. But, will it always be  
the same? Gratitude is not a very safe  
factor in political calculations. We be-  
lieve the Japanese regretted that they  
were too late to take a hand in the  
late Hawaiian reconstruction of govern-  
ment, and that it was found necessary  
by the Washington authorities to make  
certain inquiries in Tokyo concerning  
the sudden influx of Japanese laborers  
into the Hawaiian Islands. This was  
shortly after the war with China. It is  
probable that the Japanese consider the  
Philippine islands as a desirable addi-  
tion to the island empire. But it is not  
probable that they, in a near future,  
would risk a war with us for their pos-  
session. They will be busy for many  
years, developing Korea and Man-  
churia, and they will not needlessly  
venture upon another long and costly  
war.Premier Balfour is said to have de-  
serted Mr. Chamberlain. Shake!Santo Domingo can't even collect its  
thoughts much less its revenues.Investigation may yet show that the  
Beef trust is an eleemosynary corpora-  
tion.Senator-elect Warner still awaits  
congratulations from Niedringhaus and  
Kerens.Blessed are they who do not seek  
federal appointments for they shall not  
be worried.In the matter of creating war debts  
Russia and Japan are both piling Pel-  
ion on Ossa.General Linewitch's masterly conduct  
of the Russian retreat shows what a  
splendid leader of a forlorn hope he  
would make.The President's search for a hundred  
thousand dollar man meets with no  
more success than did Diogenes' for an  
honest man.No matter what pace the Russians  
set in their retreat the Japanese keep  
up with them. Surely the race is not  
to the strong alone."Now it's Castro's turn to do some-  
thing foolish again," says an exchange.  
With him doing foolish things is a  
continuing performance.Venezuela is undecided whether or  
not to take up arms against a Carib-  
bean sea of troubles, and by opposing  
end them, or to submit them to The  
Hague tribunal.A New Jersey Justice of the peace has  
held that a woman's tongue is a con-  
cealed weapon. Experience taught him  
that it was sharper than a serpent's  
tooth or a hat pin.Mr. Prick is going to move from  
Pittsburg to New York. It is to be  
hoped that his removal will not result  
in a renewal of friction between him  
and Mr. Carnegie.The Ute Indian delegation will leave  
Washington fully convinced that Sec-  
retary Hitchcock is the greatest and  
best man in the United States. That  
fifteen dollar douceur did it.The Ohio supreme court says that  
newspaper guessing contests on elec-  
tions are lotteries. It might have gone  
further and very properly held that  
elections themselves are lotteries.

Secretary Taft says if Dr. Reed had

taken more time in making his report  
on the isthmian canal administration,  
he would have been more measured in  
his criticisms. And he might have used  
a larger measure.How deceptive are words and phrases!  
In England and the United States there  
is a considerable demand for tariff re-  
form. In the former country it means  
the imposition of protective duties. In  
the latter it means the taking of them  
off.Prince Henry of Prussia is going to  
Paris to witness the automobile races  
for the Bennett cup. He will be the  
first German royal prince to visit  
France since the war of 1870. May his  
trip to France be as pleasant and popu-  
lar as was his trip to the United  
States.The Congregationalist ministers pro-  
test against their foreign missionary  
society accepting a hundred thousand  
dollar gift from John D. Rockefeller.  
The Baptists are border minded in  
this respect, and for their university  
have accepted millions from Mr. Rock-  
efeller; and like Oliver Twist, are cry-  
ing for more.

## A FIRE RECORD.

Springfield Republican.  
Except February, 1904, when the Bal-  
timore conflagration took place, last  
month was one of the worst of recent  
record for the fire insurance companies.  
The compilation of the New York Jour-  
nal of Commerce shows an aggregate  
fire loss of \$25,591,000, compared with  
\$16,000,000 in February, 1903. There  
were four fires where destructiveness  
exceeded \$1,000,000, and one at New Or-  
leans, which involved over \$3,000,000.

## THE OSLER CONTROVERSY.

New York Evening Sun.  
Somebody talks about "the Osler con-  
troversy." There is no such thing. It  
is the doctor against the world. The  
majority of his critics insist on regard-  
ing him as a joker, in spite of his pro-  
tests. Others assert angrily that the  
facts are against him. We have yet to  
discover a single defender of his the-  
ory of the utilitarian age limit. Is it  
possible that the distinguished physi-  
cian is in the unique position of being  
in the wrong alone?

## A NEW VEGETABLE.

English World's Work.  
A new vegetable has been introduced  
into France by M. Labergerie, and M.  
G. Bonnier has reported on it to the  
Academy of Science. It is a species of  
wild potato which grows where there  
is plenty of moisture, while the ordi-  
nary potato does better in dry soil. The  
plant is a native of Uruguay, and the  
species which M. Labergerie is culti-  
vating is known as the Solanum Com-  
mestral, and will yield more than 90,000  
pounds an acre—on ground which suits  
it.

## SAD FATE OF A CAREFUL MAN.

Pall Mall Gazette.  
I had a friend who did his duty to  
himself and others with such zeal that  
he never went to bed without taking  
his temperature or got up without  
drinking a scientific decoction the name  
and composition of which I have for-  
gotten; the flavor, however, was such  
as rendered the duty performed particu-  
larly meritorious. His dietary was  
based on the most scientific principles;  
he weighed himself before and after  
each meal; he had his appendix re-  
moved, so as to avoid all risk of ap-  
pendicitis, and, in short, he so fully  
realized the duty of being healthy and  
long lived that he never had time to  
do anything else or talk about anything  
else. Unfortunately, he never took that  
fickle jade "Fortune" into his calcula-  
tions, and after only a year of striving  
most manfully to fulfill the duty of be-  
ing long lived he slipped on a piece of  
orange peel and fractured the base of  
his skull.

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