

happy faces, full of confidence and enouragement that confronted President Joseph F. Smith when he called the congregation to order a little after 10 c'clock. In the gallery, too, there was a multitude of similar faces whose atention was directed to the stand. It was quite observable, and a matter of comment that the great preponderance of those present were men.

From the moment that the grand old organ poured forth its first strains of melody under the manipulation of Prof. McClellan and the choir under the conductorship of Prof. Stephens, flling the building with the words and music of the praise poem, "Redeemer

Latter-day Saints was better and more encouraging than at the present time. I believe that our people are generally prosperous and I am satisfied that there is still greater prosperity in store for them through their con-tinued faithfulness before the Lord. I believe that the Lord will bless the earth for their sake, that He will temper the elements for their good, that He will prosper them in the labor of Israel," the strictest attention was paid to every utterance that fell from the lips of the speakers. President Joseph F. Smith delivered the first address of the conference. He ars a be happ ontented and grasping more than that single one

that they will, one and all, verify the statements that I have made with ref-erence to the present condition of the

PROSPERITY PREVAILS.

Not only is this so, but I believe that

the time has never been when the financial, the temporal condition, of the Latter-day Saints was better and more

Church.'

proof the every way, and equal to the best that can probably be found in any part of the world. We have been found fault with for this, that is to say, we have been charged with (hesitating)-pardon me if I do not mention that. It is too small a matter. Howthat. ever, we have cranks, you know, among the Latter-day Saints as well as among the people of the world; and every once in a while you come across an individual who is all one-sided, who can only see out of one eye and out of a very small corner of the one eye, too, who is not capable of comprehending who is not capable of comprehending more than one thing at a time, who selects a certain little hobby—a certain little idea, a single thought, and strad-dles that idea and that single thought and commences to ride, and it is in-possible to unhorse him from his hobby, because his mind is not capable of grasping more than that kinete one

against such crimes. He then passed sentence as stated above. The defendant took his sentence rathand showed no little thought. We have such individ-uals as that, and it was from one of was handcuffed He another prisoner and led from the courtroom, closely followed by his father and sis-ter. Gentry, who also pleaded guilty to these individuals, one of these cranks, that we obtained or received not long the crimes several weeks ago, was sentenced at that time to 20 years in prison.

William Cohen, alias A. D. Lee, for whom the local police have been search-ing diligently for some weeks, has been arrested in California by Officer W. L. Walker, who so notified Detective Pen-der this morning. The man is wanted for forgery and obtaining money under for forgery and obtaining money under for forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses. It is charged that he forged the name of Gergerman Bros. of Pueblo to a check for \$28, which he suc-ceeded in cashing; also the name of Last & Thomas of Ogden to a check for \$22. The Pueblo parties have been notified and wired back that they would prosecute the case. Detective Pender will go to Salt Lake this after-noon, and after securing requisition pa-pers will proceed to California to bring Young Bouton, when asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, replied that he had nothing to say only that Gentry, who was much older than he, had led bin for the same line that he had led who was much older than he, had led him into the crime. Judge Armstrong, in passing sentence, said that he regret-ted very much that parents and rela-tives of the guilty party had to suffer for the crime, and that in sentencing the defendant he would like very much to consider that fact and also the youth of the defendant, but he felt that he must represent the people and enforce the laws, and thus protect the citizens against such crimes. He then passed

The case of the state vs Joseph Botti-mer, while more with a state vs Joseph Botti-mer, charged with as vult with intent to commit murder on the person of Pat Smith, is before Judge Howell and a jury today. hearing was continued to get other testimony from St. Louis. In his deposition Mr. Yoakum points out wherein the contract would be to the best interest of the lumber company and states that if the court ap-proves it and the Frisco comes into jury today THIS KILL ALL RIGHT.

possession of the trans and terminals the same will be connected with the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexican road, now building toward Houston, and the Frisco will extend the road to William S. Johnson of Vernal, Utah, this morning presented himself at the county clerk's office with a wagonload of hides for bounty. The lot consisted of 120 coyote hides and 14 wildcats, for a connection whereiv it will have ac

nation in official quarters here. It is menced his retreat at that moment. pointed out that the Madrid congress of 1880 fully defined international rela-

tions towards Morocco and therefore Germany's calling a new congress would, it is claimed, amount to further

would, it is claimed, amount to further evidence of the unfriendliness of Ger-many's course. The authorities here take note of what they regard as an ap-parent effort on the part of Germany to secure the co-operation of the United States in the Morocco ques-tion, but they feel satisfied that the United States will hold aloof from au-tive participation in the controversy. During the afternoon a brilliant cav-alry escort drew up at the Elysee palace to accompany President Loubet to the Northern railroad station, whence he will go to meet King Edward at Pierre-fite station about seven miles outside of Paris. Previous to his departure from the palace M. Loubet conferred lengthily with Foreign Minister Del-casse, who does not accompany M. Lou-bet.

poke clearly, distinctly and at times eloquently, of the conditions of the Church today. His remarks were not confined to any particular subject but covered a wide variety of topics associated with the affairs of the Latterday Saints. He congratulated the people on their honesty, faithfulness, in-dustry and prosperity. There never was a time, he said, when there were fewer differences among the people than at the present, or a more general prosperity experienced. The church, too, as an organization, was progressing in all these regards. During the past year it had been able, he thanked God, to give assistance in cases of extreme distress the Latter-day Saints in many ces. They had been helped where ds had destroyed their homes and their crops. Headquarters and churches for foreign and home missions had been purchased at considerable expense. A rge tract of land had been purchased in Jackson county, where the Church is day to erect a magnifi-temple. In addition, more half of the bonded indebtedness e Church had been liquidated, and, the concernent backbarrier become said the speaker, with marked empha-sis, he hoped soon to see the Church abutely free from debt, and under oblfsation to no man.

Animadverting to the criticisms of some persons he said that they should not be regarded too seriously. They were the boils, carbuncles and other ex-crescences of the body of the organiza-tion. In such income the organiza-In such instances there was but one thing to do-what the surgeon does when a patient is thus afflicted-cut them out and off. When this is done the general body will be the better for it. The inference was that pimples were beither healthful was her healthful nor beneficial any Eradication of them was essen-So, too, is cutting off necessary, individuals who have become a law unto themselves.

#### THOSE PRESENT.

There were present of the general uthorities: Of the First Presidency, oseph F. Smith, John R. Winder and Autorities: Of the First Violation and Joseph F. Smith, John R. Winder and Anthon H. Lund; of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, Francis M. Lyman, Rudger Clawson, Hyrum M. Smith, George A. Smith, Charles W. Penrose: Presiding Patriarch John Smith: First Seven Presidents of Seventics, Seymour Seven Presidents of Seventies, Seymour B. Young, Brigham H. Roberts, George Reynolds, J. Golden Kimball, Rulon S. Wells and Joseph W. McMurrin; of the presidence Bithwards William B he presiding Bishopric, William B. Teston, Robert T. Brton and Orrin P. presidents of stakes, their counselrs, presidents of missions, and other

The services began by the choir and congregation singing the hymn which begins "Redeemer of Israel."

The opening prayer was offered by Eder Henry Nalsbett. Singing by the cheir: "Come, dearest Lord, descend and dwait and dwell."

### PRESIDENT JOSEPH F. SMITH.

as usual, made the opening address of the conference. He spoke with his cus-tomary freedom and spirit, and was Batenet to throughout with the closest attention. Following is a full report of his address: of his address:

taken pride, and still feel proud of the opportunity that has been afforded us, and of the ability of us to accomplish it—to render aid to many of our mis-sions abroad in the purchase and in the establishment of mission headquar-ters and the building of churches in PRESIDENT SMITH'S REMARKS. The full text of President Smith's

ters and the building of churches in which they can meet to worship God. "My Brethren and Sisters—It is cer-tainly a great satisfaction and pleas-of Latter-day Saints, gathered here cn the opening day of our seventy-fifth annual conference. I am pleased to the blessings of the Lord and the guid-ing influence of His Holy Spirit I trust that I shall also be pleased in the op-of speaking to you for a short time. I feel exceedingly dependent upon the You may think it strange for me to You may that I have had no moments to tay that I have had no moments to Jackson county adjacent to the site

blessed in the land, With reference to this matter I desire to say that we have I believe a very correct criterion by which to judge the spiritual and temporal condition of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The records of the Church will show at the closing of the accounts for the past year that the tithing and the offerings of the Latter-day Saints have been a little above, actually a little above, what would be called the average. We have had one or two more prosperous years in the past, judging it by this criterion, the tithings of the people, but last year was equal and a little above the average, notwithstanding the fact that during the last few years our people in many parts of the country have been suffering from a protracted drouth in which they have come short drouth, in which they have come short in their crops, in which they have suf-fered materially in their flocks and in their herds; and in many places the drouth has been so severe that the people have been under the necessity of hiring or borrowing means with which to secure for themselves grain for seed for this present year. I wint to say to you my brothers and grain for seed for this present year, I want to say to you, my brethren and sisters, and those who preside over the Church, that it is a matter of pride and of satisfaction to my mind that the Church is in a condition to assist those that are in need of this kind of assistance, and we have done so. If assistance, and we have done so. If anyone should feel dissatisfied with the Trustee-in-Trust and his counselors and associates in the matter of extending aid to the Latter-day Saints in such matter of extremity as this, they know where to enter to make their complaints, and I should be glad to meet them and consider the question, We wish it distinctly understood that

in that barren country, in having their dams washed away by floods. For a

long series of years they have had drouth, the earth has become parched and dry, and when the late rains and

floods came they washed away some of their dams, and the people send up their cries to us for help and we have helped them, and we thank God that we are in a position to help them, and so

far as I am concerned I would be pleas-ed if I could know that every dollar of

the tithing that I pay to the Church is

the binning that i pay to the Church is only employed in some good work of this kind by which the people of God are strengthened in building up Zion, in establishing their settlements and in "holding the fort" if you please.

WHERE THE TITHING GOES.

In addition to this I am happy

say to this congregation and to all the world so far as my words may go, that we have taken the liberty, and we have

ago solemn objections to the Church of while the Lord preserves us in the positions to which we have been called, the positions which we did not seek, but which, by the providence of God, have been brought upon us, we will hold ourselves responsible before God and before His people to render ma-terial and financial aid to the people of God in every direction where we feel that it is necessary to do so. Our peo-ple in the south have been unfortunate

Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints putting in these means or tithing into a hospital. It was wicked and wrong to build hospitals according to his ideas. Well, we will let such people go for what they are worth, and they are scarcely worth noticing, and I feel that I should not have noticed it at all; but we have such individuals among us more or less. We have a variety -a variety-every once in a while, o creatures rising up amongst us, who are filed with the spirit of evil and hatred towards the truth and the peo-ple of God. It is only natural that this should be so. UNHEALTHY ESCRESSENCES.

It has occurred to me somewhat in this way; that the body of the Church is likened to the body of a man, and you know men do sometimes get their systems a little deranged- that is say that sometimes they are flu flea bitten. Fleas bite them and mosquitoes bite them and cause little swellings to raise on their faces and hands. Some-times they have boils upon them, and carbuncles and other excressences, that only need the application of the lance to let out the humor from them or to excise them from the body or cut them off and let them go, so that the body may be cleansed from their polabody may be cleansed from their pois-onous effects. It is so with the Church from time to time. There are these characters who become a law unto themselves and they follow the trend of their own sweet will until they get themselves into a condition mentally and spiritually so that they become a menace to the body ecclesiastic. In other words, they become like a boil or carbuncte on the body, and you have to call in the surgeon to apply the knife to cut them out, that the body may be cleansed from them, and this has been the case from the beginning. the case from the beginning.

ZION FIRMLY ESTABLISHED.

From time to time these conditions arise and we have them to meet, and they will continue to arise from time to time in the future, and we shall have them to meet, but they will never amount to more than a pumple or a little sore on the body outside, and no little sore on the body outside, and no one need to be alarmed at all for the consequences. Zion is established in the midst of the earth to remain. It is God Almighty's work, which He Himself, by His own wisdom, and not by the wisdom of man, has restored to the earth in the latter days, and He has established it here upon principles of testh and rightcourses and mrity of truth and rightcoustess and purity and of revelation from God, and that it can no more be thrown down or left to can be hove be initial and the left to another people, so long as the majority of the people of the Church of Jesus Christ of Lat-ter-day Saints will ablde in their covenants with the Lord and will keep themselves pure and unspotted from the world, as all members of the Church should keep themselves, then it will be as God has decreed, perpetual and eteras God has decreed, perpetual and eter-nal, until His will is accomplishedd and His purposes fulfilled in the earth among the children of men. This people can haver prosper and flourish unless they abide in God's truth. There is nothing, no individuality, no combined influence among men that can prevall over the truth. The truth is mighty and it will prevail. It may be show in the consummation of the work that it has to do, but it is and will be sure, for the truth cannot fail and will be sure, for the truth cannot fail and will be sure, for the truth cannot fail and will see to it that it is accomplished. The kingdom is the Lord's and the Lord is capable of taking care of it, and He has glways

taking care of it, and He has always taken care of it, and I want to say to you that there never was a time since the organization of the Church of Jesus

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# YOUNG MOTHER DEAD.

#### Mrs. Annie Farnsworth Wesson Succumbs to Heart Trouble.

Mrs. Annie Farnsworth Wesson, wife of James Wesson, died this morning at

of James Wesson, died this morning at the family residence, 526 West Seventh South street, of abscess of the heart, aged 41 years. The deceased gave birth to a baby boy eight days ago, and was get-ting along very well until yesterday when she showed signs of a turn for the worse, and passed away as indicated above. Mrs. Wesson was a good woman and a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which she joined in England some years ago. Her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fitt, is now in h r mative land visiting relatives. She leaves besides her husband, three children and several brothers and sisters to mourn her unexpected demise. The funeral has not yet been arranged, but it will likely be held in the Fitth ward assembly rooms on Sunday next.

### DINNER WITH JAPANESE.

#### The Austin Party Regally Entertained In San Francisco.

George Austin, agricultural superintendent of the Utah Sugar company, has returned from a 15 days' trip to the coast, during which he visited San Francisco, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz and Pacific Grove. He was accompanied by his wife and son, his sister, Mrs. Gudmanson, and and his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. E. Austin, and her son. The party had a most pleasant visit, an especially agreeable experience being their entertainment at the Japanese imperial hotel on

Stockton street, San Francisco. Here they were the guests of a number of the officials of the Japanese American Industrial corporation. They sat down to an oriental dinner, cooked by the to an oriental dinner, cooked by the Japanese, served by Japanese walt-resses in a Japanese hotel. In the party besides the six above named were Messrs, K. Abiko, R. Tera, R. Nakahada, S. Kono, S. Lida, T. Ar-kama and G. Mineyama. Mr. Austin says never in his experience has he beheld such elaborate cooking, such service and such a display of floral decorations as were furnished at this dinner. dinner.

He also enjoyed a visit with the Japanese consul, who made many inautries regarding the condition of the Japanese who have come to Utah and Idaho to settle and engage in beet cul-Idaho to settle and engage in beet cul-ture. He was much gratified when Mr. Austin assured him that the boys were entirely satisfactory, that they were thorough in their work and order-ly in their habits. In fact, during all the time they had been here Mr. Aus-tin says he had not known of a single arrest being made among them arrest being made among them. Mr. Austin found the Japanese jubi-

lant over the progress of the war with Russia, and said they entertained no doubt whatever as to a victorious out-

## NO REHEARSAL TONIGHT.

#### Tabernacie Choir Members So Notified By Prof. Stephens.

The Tabernacle choir will hold no rehearsal this evening, as they have already been in attendance at the Taber-nacle twice this week, besides attending the conference. A very full attendance is promised for both Sunday morning and afternoon. The great Easter chorus, "The Lord Now Victorious," will be one

which he received the sum of \$194. The which he received the sum of \$194. The hides were carefully examined by Depu-ty Clerk Burdick and found to be all right. The animals were killed in Uin-tah county, and Mr. Johnson brought the skins in on pack horses.

### ..... TO THE DISTRICT COURT. There is Where the Case of B. H Schettler Will Go for Trial.

### The case of the State vs B. H. Schettler, charged with receiving deposits in his bank, knowing that the bank was in-

solvent, was called in Judge Dichl's court this morning, but the defense waived pre-liminary hearing, and the matter will go liminary hearing, and to the district court.

### A HEADLESS BODY

#### Found on Vallejo St., Near Powell, San Francisco.

San Francisco, April 6 .- The headless, legless trunk of a young man was found late tonight on Vallejo street, near Powell. It was still warm and the flesh was quivering when picked up. The body was wrapped in an old blanket tied up with fisherman's twine. A man was seen to throw the bundle away, by a passer-by who pursued him, but failed to overtake him. So far there is no clue to the identity of the murdered man or his murderer.

ciue to the identity of the murdered man or his murderer. The mystery of the murder of the young man whose dismembered trunk was found on Vallejo street late last night has not yet been solved. The best detectives in the city are working on the case and their chief. Gapt. Burnett, is confident that the identity of the murderer and his victim will be dis-covered soon. The fact that the head, arms and legs of the youth are missing makes identification of the remains im-possible at present, but it is considered probable that the missing members will be discovered during the careful search which is being made. A wound in the portion of the neck attached to the body indicates that the young man was stabbed to death before being hacked to pieces. hacked to pieces.

#### BARRIE'S LATEST PLAY.

#### A Pronounced Success and Kept Audience Laughing.

don, April 6.-J. M. Barrie's latest "Allce-Sit-By-the-Fire." was pro-I by Charles Frohman at the Duke ork theater tonight. If not such a not triumph as "Peter Pan," it was boounced success, and kept the aubrilliant triumph as "Peter Pan," it was a pronounced success, and kent the au-dience in shouts of laughter throughout. It is travesty of the problem play, and exceeds in whimskality all of Mr. Bar-rie's previous plays and provides Ellen Terry, "The Mother" with one of the most engaging roles seen on the English stage in many years, Irene Van Bringh also had an effective part. It is a one-er trantasy "Pantaloon," a dulniy trifte partiy in dumb show. The audience, which was a brilliant one, included An-thony Hope, Louis Parker and Sir Philip Burne-Jones, besides many well known actors and actresses. Marie Tembest in her farewell perform-sanne" at the Criterion theater, preving to taking the play to New York, had an entiusissite reception and the heartiest of curuain calls.

#### Attempt to Furn Rucker Hall.

Lexington, April 6.—Five attempts to-burn Rucker hall, the girls' dorni-tory of the Georgetown, Ky., college, the largest Bantist Institution in the south, have just come to light. Five fires were started in as many rooms on Saturday and Sunday nights with the apparent intention of destroying the building. Every effort to discover the identity of the incendiary has fail-ed. The college authorities believe that the building. Every effort to discover the identity of the incendiary has fail-ed. The college authorities believe that one of the kirl students did it and the building is now being watched nightly. Every girl in the college was taken before the faculty, sworn and question-

New Orleans, He also is contemplating new roads whereby connection will be made for St. Louis, Chicago, Memphis and Colorado. These trams and terminals are now held in trust to secure to the Frisco a loan of \$600,000 made to the Kirby Lumber company by B. T. Yoa-kum, James Campbell of St. Louis and Henry Clay Pierce of New York, all of whom assigned to the Frisco. The Maryland Trust company opposes con-firmation of the contract, claiming that as a matter of fact these trams and terminals are held in trust, by the Kirby Lumber company.

Frisco to fake Terminals.

Houston, Texas, April 6.—Before Master-in-Chancery J. R. Burnett the deposition of B. F. Yoakum in the mat-ter of confirming the contract between Yoakum and John H. Kirby, the Kirby Lumber company and the 'Frisco rail-road whereby the latter is to take over the trans and terminals served by the

the trams and terminals owned by the Kirby company has been heard. The

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#### Electric Line to Cripple Creek.

Cripple Creek, Colo., April 6.--Word has been received in this city from a reliable authority that an electric railway, having one terminus in this city and the other in Colorado Springs, will be started in the next few weeks, connecting with Pueblo, Florence and the two cities above mentioned. It is said that Thomas Robert-son; president of the Florence Street Railroad company is the authority for this statement. Passergers, express and freight will be handled on the new rond.

#### Wages Voluntarily Increased.

Pittsburg, April 6 .- The employes of the Interstate Steel works at Tarentun, Pa., having been notified of a voluntary ) per cent increase in their wages. The Solid Steel Tube and Forge com pany, of Tarentum, which recently went into the hands of a receiver, resumed operations today.

### WHOLESALE POISONING,

#### Seventy Girls Taken Ill and Fall To the Floor.

Warsaw, April 6.-An extraordinary case of wholesale polscoling has occured at a cotton mill at Publanize. Seventy girls in the coloring department were tak-en suddenly ill and fell to the floor un-conscious. Thirty of them were taken to a hospital in a dangerous condition. An investigation showed that the illness of the girls was due to arsenic having been sprinkled through the rooms by un-known miscreants.

## FOUR PEOPLE DEAD.

#### Killed by Illuminating Gas in a N. Y. Tenement House.

N. Y. Tenement House. New York, April 6.—Four persons were killed by illuminating gas today in a tenement house in the upper East Side. They were Mary Rogers, 5 years old. Helen Chark, 12: Kate Clark, 10, and Ell-gabeth Clark, 7. Their bodies were found by the father of the three children, Sam Clark, a truck driver, who, with his wife and young son, occupied an adjoining room. When Clark awoke he smelled gas and traced it to the next room, where he found his three children and the wo-man, a friend of the family, dead. The gas had escaped from a defective gas stove.

#### RIOTERS IN WARSAW.

#### Henceforth They Are to be Tried By Court Martial.

Warsaw, April 6.—All persons partici-pating in disorders will hereafter be tried by martial law. The new regime com-monced yesterday when two workinen were thus tried and condemned to death One of them fired a revolver at a po-liceman and the other struck a police man with an from bar. Mussulmans Take Up Lynching.

epresentatives of the provincial government.

Madrid. April 6.-The council of state has decided in favor or the creation of free ports in the Canary islands.

KING WILL MEET LOUBET.

London, April 6.-King Edward started today to join Queen Alexandra at Marseilles by way of Paris, where he will meet President Loubet. The marquis of Salisbury, accompanied the

Not much attention is paid here to the suggestions from some quarters of the continent that the king's visit to France may be preliminary to an An-glo-French alliance. Nevertheless, following as it does on an active exchange

of views between London and Paris, it is expected to help in smoothing away some of the international con-troversies. Although King Edward's trip to the Mediterranean was arranged same time ago, no steps were taken to secure a meeting with M. Loubet until after Emperor William's visit to Tangier. The meeting, therefore, is Tangier. accepted here as in some measure in-tended to emphasize Anglo-French solidarity and as an answer to the the commentaries who represent the Tan-gier incidents as Germany's retort to Anglo-French agreement regardthe ing Morocco.

GERMAN ENVOY TO MOROCCO.

Berlin, April 6 .- The report of the appointment of Privy Councillor Dr. Rosen, who until recently was special envoy of Germany at the court of King Menelik of Abyssinia as German minister to Morocco in succession to the deceased Baron von Mentzinger, has been confirmed. Dr. Rosen, however, does not know of his appointment.

He is somewhere betwen Berlin and King Menelik's court, returning from

his special mission. Dr. Rosen, who has deep scholarly knowledge of ancient and modern ori-ental languages is reputed to know more of the present day oriental civilization than any living German. He is also personally sympathetic to orientals and his easy and complete ac-quaintance with the Arabic tongue and manners is expected to make him personally the most influential foreign diplomat in Morocco.

There is every indication that Ger-many designs to hold on tenaciously to her policy towards Morocco.

# **80 PER CENT OF POPULATION KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE.**

Lahore, India. April 6.—It is reported here that 80 per cent of the inhabitang of Dharmsala, the hill station, 95 miles northwest of Simia, were killed as a re-suit of the recent earthquakes there. The government has dispatched from Lahors tents, blankets, foods, doctors, nurses, etc., for the sufferers at Dharmsala. It is reported that the vice regal lodge at Simia was damaged as well as the public offices.

public offices. The cartinguakes were severely felt at Kasulul, but no lives were lost and the pasteur institute escaped. A second shock at Simia Tuesday even-ing caused a pant that the residents rushed from their houses and slept all uight in the open air.

#### Denied by Laurier.

Ottawa, Ont., April 6 .- Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the house, has made a statenent giving an absolute denial of the liegations made by Roberts Rogers of the Manitoba government that the paal delegate had any authority to inter-ere in the extension of the boundaries of the province of Manitoba. Sir Wilrid said he knew nothing of an inter-iew between Monsignor Sharetti and the Manitoba ministers and the meet ing had not been arranged by him. The policy of the government, he said, was decided upon at a conference with the

Free Ports for the Canaries.