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GENERAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ at Latter-day Saints will commence at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, April 5th, 1888, in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City. The officers and members of the Church are respectfully invited to attend. WILFORD WOODRUFF, In behalf of the Council of the Twelve Apostles.

THE PROJECT TO SPLIT THE BLOCKS.
The agitation arising the dividing of the blocks of this city into "vulgar fractions" proceeds apace. It is defined before the Council last night in definite shape, with a good many indefinite aspects connected with it. The presentation was in the form of a petition signed by 200 citizens and firms, with a plan upon which the proposed splitting process should, according to the opinion of the petitioners, be carried into effect.

A glance at the method recommended appears to be, in substance, the cutting of each block to be submitted to the slicing system into halves by running an eighty feet wide street through the centre from north to south, and dividing the lots by alleys of a width of fifteen to twenty feet, so that the transverse way between them, if we understand the idea correctly, this method would form at least eight additional corners, and a very large increase of frontage. The fact that the original lots, in some instances, have been divided in many instances into very small fractions, so that unless the alleys were made so numerous as to be almost interminable, besides occupying a great deal of ground, the enlargement of frontage on them would be confined to property holders whose lines are those of the lots as originally surveyed. This would render it difficult to satisfy those whose financial benefits by the dismemberment of the blocks would be comparatively in-adequate to the cost.

It is evident that an effort has been made by the promoters of this plan to compensate those who would be compelled by it to surrender a portion of their land for thoroughfare purposes to the city. Hence, it is suggested that the property having frontage upon the outer line of the blocks, all around, be permitted to extend their premises fifteen feet upon the main streets now existing—certain streets named in the plan to be excepted from this innovation. The plan further offers the novel idea that the title of the portions of public streets appropriated by the property holders along the lines remain in the city.

The last intention is suggestive of an obstacle. Suppose business houses extend their premises toward the maximum line of the proposed innovation upon the street and the municipal head some fine day that it wanted that land for the use of the public, to whom it belongs? There would, of course, be any howing on the part of the proprietors of handsome stone brick and granite buildings? There would not be any confusion, nor lawsuits, nor any disturbance of any kind! These magnanimous men would kindly submit to the losses that would be entailed.

It may be urged that the municipality would never do such a thing. But would it not have the power to do it? If not for what reason should the title to the land strip remain in the city? And if the power exists in the municipality of an action of that character does not remove danger from the situation. As property changed hands, as it would in course of time, the disposal of the title would be to the extent of the premises occupied, and the effect would be deteriorating, that being always the case where there are defects in relation to realty.

It would have been pertinent on the part of those who offer this plan to the City Council to have given that august body some information in regard to its rights in the premises. It is pertinent to inquire whether it can step in and seize property by wholesale for the purpose indicated if the owners are unwilling? It should be the corporation that holds the title of the government patent to all of the land within the municipal limits, and decided it to those who complied with the law in relation to title, etc. It may well be asked whether it can carry into a wholesale business of rendering its contracts with those to whom the title was conveyed nugatory.

It is the idea that the corporation shall not seize the property in question for the purposes desired, but purchase it from the present owners? If so, where are the necessary funds coming from? If the question of how much money it would take to purchase the necessary land and construct the streets and alleys through one of the leading business blocks would be considered? Is the scheme not considered? It is amount to the revenue of one year or more, and if so how much more?

If the means are to be obtained from the public treasury, on what ground? Is it in the form of a tax? In these days when constitute the public any way? Is it real estate speculators and a number of other classes, or does it comprehend the people generally of this city? If the project is for the benefit of a class or a few classes, why should not the wherewith come out of their pockets? Is the scheme not to render their pockets more pliant?

It is well to consider whether or not the property owners on a given block are willing to surrender the requisite portions of their land for the purposes in question. If so they will take that action on account of it being a mutual benefit. Then it would appear to be competent for them to obtain permission to make the desired streets from the Council, and the thoroughfares would necessarily be under the regulation and control of the city.

It is easy to spread a project on paper and set up a grand burrah boys for the boom! But when Utopian schemes are proposed, snags arise on every hand.

and the drift of it is to show that that record is a fraud.
In addition to the old and long since expounded fabrications—among them the Spaulding absurdity—used to throw discredit upon that wonderful book in speaking of the three witnesses, it says, "subsequently all of these men renounced Mormonism and declared their testimony false."
The well known and established fact is that all three strayed from the Church, but Oliver Cowdery and Martin Harris subsequently returned to it. David Whitmer, being the only one of them who died outside of the fold. All of them were approached in various ways to induce them to "declare their testimony false," but not one of them ever did so, each making the declaration in regard to what they had seen and heard regarding the plates and their translation from the time of their manifestation to them till their latest breath.

David Whitmer, the one who did not return to the Church, wound up his earthly career by making a statement in relation to the Book of Mormon, solemnly asserting that he beheld the angel, saw the plates and heard the voice of God verifying the correctness of the record.
It is customary and popular in connection with those subjects to fix up on a conclusion without examination and then hunt for subterfuges and falsehoods to justify it.
This is the method of fools.
The process adopted by people who are wise and fair is to investigate every phase of a subject with an unbiased mind and base a conclusion upon the evidence discovered.
It seems that in certain directions the prevalent bent among many people is to believe and sustain a lie that they may not be saved. They remind one of a jury which makes up its verdict before the case to be disposed of is tried.

LECTURES IN WALES.
On March 14th Elder B. H. Roberts delivered a lecture in the Albert Minor Hall, Swansea, Wales, subject—"A new witness for God." His theme was the Book of Mormon. He described the nature of that record, its origin and purpose, furnishing strong evidence of its authenticity. He had a large audience, who listened with close attention, the only exception being an attempt on the part of a number of rowdy youths to create a disturbance. The bulk of the people soon signified their disapproval of the disorder, and the disturbers left the hall, after which quiet reigned to the close. A full and fair synopsis of the lecture appeared in the Swansea Herald.

PAYMENT OF U. S. JURY AND WITNESS FEES.
Marshal Dyer is in receipt of the following important communication:
TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
First Comptroller's Office,
Washington, D. C., March 24, 1888,
Frank H. Dyer, Esq.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
Sir: A check in the sum of \$100.00 is hereby paid to you in full for the fees of jurors and witnesses, as well as for the honorarium of the clerk or marshal in evidence of the claims of witnesses and jurors, are not negotiable and cannot be cashed at a marshal has no authority to pay such certificates except in the hands of the original holders.

Section 3177, Revised Statutes, declares the assignment of claims against the United States to be void, and marshals will be held accountable accordingly in the determination of judicial proceedings. You will, therefore, in presenting such certificates for payment to the marshal, be required to produce the accounts with the necessary affidavits to show that the fees have been paid to the parties entitled thereto, as indicated above. Very respectfully,
M. J. DURHAM, Comptroller,
By I. R. GARDNER,
Deputy Comptroller.

The fact that many of the claims are out, cash payment not having been made on them, renders the subject interesting.
We are informed that Mr. Dyer's construction upon this letter is that he is debarred from redeeming vouchers issued by him that are now in the hands of other parties than those to whom he gave them. We believe this position is open to question. We understand the custom in the Marshal's office to have been when there were no funds in the hands of that officer, to take up the certificates held by those who have done witness and juror service, obtain their signatures as evidence of receiving payment, and issue vouchers to them in the shape of a promise to pay when funds were forthcoming. The juror or witness thus surrendered the evidence of his claim against the United States, and accepted in place thereof a claim against the Marshal. Hence the claim against the government was not assigned but surrendered to its agent. The Marshal has therefore in his possession the evidence of his having paid the person who performed the service, no matter whether he paid it in a written promise or in cash.

We do not say as a matter of certainty that this is a correct view, but the subjects of some importance, and should not be hastily disposed of, so far as relates to payment for service already performed.
Star Valley, Wyoming.
M. D. Yeaman writes from Star Valley, Uintah County, Wyo., March 27, as follows:
The snow has been very deep the past winter, the average depth being about 40 inches. Horses have wintered well and some cattle have been out on the hills most of the winter and look well. We are looking for a rush of people here next summer, as there is plenty of land, and timber, all of which is of good quality and easily made available. Prospects are favorable for good crops this season.

Meetings for a district school were held at Star Valley, on March 24th, 1888, and is taught by S. Bartlett, Esq. The number of pupils enrolled during the winter was 109.
THE SCHOOL LAW of Wyoming is very liberal and the county school funds are sufficient for about nine months out of the year. It is regretted that the death of one of our long standing friends, James Hendrickson. He was a soldier in the "Mormon" war, and was a member of the Mormon Church. He was a man of great worth and was a great blessing to the community. He died on March 24th, 1888, aged 65 years and 4 months. He leaves an aged wife and 7 sons and one daughter. Six of the sons live in this valley. Hendrickson has been very ill but is at the present improving.

Not Published.
We have received a communication from "Adolphus," the main purpose of which is a personal reference to a clergyman who recently spoke in Ogden, and a criticism of his policy. On account of its personal character, and for other reasons, it is deemed unsuitable for our columns, and hence is not published.
THE snow still lingers lovingly in Ogden. Many of the farmers are rushing the snow as much as possible, by plowing whenever they can.

FALSE AND ABSURD.
BROWN is a sample of the usual method of treating subjects relating to "Mormonism" and the "Mormons." It is in the form of an article which first appeared in the New York Times and was reproduced in the Omaha Bee. The subject is the Book of Mormon.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.
The Boycott Raised on all the Railway Lines but One.
The Strikers Concentrate Their Forces in Battling the Burlington.
Horrible Disaster in Mexico—Scores of Citizens Burned and Trampled to Death.
Democratic Convention in Oregon—Cleveland's Administration Sustained.

By Telegram to the News:
The Boycott Raised Except on the Burlington.
CHICAGO, April 4.—The final result of the meeting of the employes of the various roads in this city, which began yesterday afternoon and lasted until this morning in the declaration that the boycott of "Q" cars has been permanently raised, and that the strikers will be confined strictly to the "Q" system. All the strikes except this were to stop forthwith and all strikers with strict decorum. Other roads were absolved from the requirement of neutrality and violence is to be discontinued according to the well known policy of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. It is directly upon the expiration of Chief Arthur of the Brotherhood of Fourteen, master Sargent, of the Firemen; Grandmaster Monaghan, of the Switchmen's Association; Mayor Roche and Mark Crawford, who also represents the switchmen. The final decision was reached by a vote of 100 to 25.

CHICAGO MARKET.
Wheat—Lower; cash, 1 1/4; May, 94; June, 6.
Corn—Lower; cash, 47 1/2; May, 5 13-16; June, 5 1/2.
Oats—Eager; May, 34.
Rye—Steady; cash, 13 1/2; May, 33.
Lard—Steady; cash, 7 1/4; May, 30 @ 32.

SPECIAL NOTICES.
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REDEEMER THE FIGHT AGAINST THE BURLINGTON.
Everybody connected with that system who could be called out, would be, and one embarrassed after another, would be enforced. Committees were sent out at once to visit officials of the different roads and later reported that all the lines had accepted. By cutting the Burlington with business the strikers argued that the fact was soon demonstrated that it is by no means prepared to handle it with new hands now in its employ. The plea of the Burlington that the places of the strikers have all been filled and construction of the line nothing to arbitrate, the engineers think will be demolished and the construction of the line will be a question of time.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—Ex-Attorney General Brewster died this morning. He had been suffering during the entire winter with disease of the kidneys but his condition did not become serious until last afternoon, since which time he has been confined to his house. Early this morning he sank into a heavy slumber and passed quietly away.

A Holographic in Mexico.
CINCINNATI, April 4.—A special from the City of Mexico says: The *Two Republics* published the following advice from Olaya: Sunday afternoon about 4:45 the bull ring of Olaya was crowded with spectators of the general national sport. The company of bull fighters from Leon were soon engaged with the first bull, when a fierce dog broke out on the sunny side of the plaza and made his way to the assembly and a frightful catastrophe was the result. The plaza was constructed of wooden planks, and it was due to this fact that the majority escaped without injury, being able to force an opening and point to permit an exit at different points, but many women and children tumbled from the top, a distance of two hundred to three hundred feet, and over

ONE HUNDRED PERSONS WERE SKINNED AND EIGHTEEN LIVES WERE LOST. The sides of the plaza being lined with matting as dry as tinder, and there being a slight wind blowing, the amplification of the fire was a few moments. Nine dead bodies, in some cases so charred as to be unrecognizable, were taken from the smoking ring, and other persons were so badly burned that they died in a few hours, and sixty-eight persons were so severely burned that at least ten of them will die this week. Fifty persons in escape from the fire were knocked down and were very seriously but not fatally injured. The bulls, maddened by the roar of the flames, broke loose from their stalls and rushed wildly through the surging mass of humanity, mauling and knocking over all who stood in their way. Among the eighteen dead were two women who were first gored to death by bulls and their bodies afterwards burned.

The fire in the neighborhood of the bull ring was sickening beyond description. Women and children, disrobed of their clothing, lay upon the ground, their bodies scorched and their faces blackened by the fire which they were subjected to.

Dr. ELLIS R. SHIFF has removed her office to No. 26, West Temple St., two doors south of Valley House. Telephone No. 349.

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THE BREATH of a chronic catarrh patient is often so offensive that he cannot go into society and he becomes an object of disgust. After a time his nose runs, his eyes become inflamed, and frequently, entirely destroyed. A constant source of discomfort is the frequent secretions into the throat, sometimes profuse, and at other times scanty. It has been the exciting cause of pulmonary disease. The brilliant and permanent cure is the use of years past properly designate Ely's Cream Balm as by far the best if not the only relief for hay fever, rose cold and catarrh.

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