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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-seventh semi-annual general Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will assemble in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, on Friday, October 5, 1906, at 10 a. m. A full attendance of the officers and members is hereby requested.

On account of the General conference being held on the first Sunday in October, it is suggested that the last Sunday in September be observed as fast day in the Salt Lake, Ensign, Liberty, Pioneer, Jordan and Granite stakes. By order of

THE FIRST PRESIDENCY.

TWO WEAPONS OF FALSEHOOD.

The Pioneer, published at Magrath, Alberta, Canada, has an excellent article, with a fine photograph of the late Elder Charles O. Card, giving particulars of his life and death. The historical portion of it was taken from the Alberta Star, and shows how highly the deceased ploneer of Alberta was esteemed by the people of that region. The Pioneer also copies from a Calgary paper called the Eye Opener, an editorial "Apent the Mormons," most of which we think worthy of reproduction in our columns, as follows:

"It is a mistake for the Mormons of the great settlement to the south of us to be constantly defending their position as a sect. They need no de-fending either by themselves or anyposition as a sect. one else. As an industrious, law-abiding people, they stand very near the top. The peculiarities of their belief are no more curious or odd than some of our own. Polygamy is non-existent; except, perhaps, among a few of the old stagers who had a plurality of wives when the polygamy law came into force, and did not think it fair to the ladies to discard them altogether. Their town is Cardston, not Discardston. . . . There has not been a single instance of a man wedding more than one wife in this settlement since it was founded. The Mormons are Rooseveltian in their scorn of race suicide. In this respect being more true to na-ture and to their God than the Gentiles who deery them. Their industry has made a garden out of far-southern Crime is almost unknown Alberta. and that new court house they are go-ing to have at Cardston will most like-They are a used for dances. great people and those who still pereist in associating Mormonism with polygamy are merely victims of their nwn ignorance and doers of a grave injustice to a prosperous colony of good men and women.' We regard the foregoing as applicable to conditions in Southern Idaho. Dur friends there need not feel under the necessity of noticing the vile attacks made upon them by the politleal defamers of their religion and their moral status. The defense of the Alberta "Mormons" by the Calgary paper fits the case of the Idaho Saints. This is pretty well understood by the great body of their fellow-citizens in that State, but there are some people, no doubt, who are deceived as to their true character by the infamous untruths promulgated from the political stump by the Dubolsites, who seek to obtain political advantage by berating and if possible disfranchising the "Mormon" people. Coupled with the "polygamy" pretense is the alarm raised about the flanger of "Mormon' domination through the alleged dictation in political matters, of their Church leaders, This string has been harped upon so long that notwithstanding it has been proved utterly discordant with the truth, it strikes a chord in the minds of some uninformed individuals, and they are led to look upon their "Mormon" neighbors with aversion, if not with fear. If the constant din on this subject was ignored by sensible people, for it is without any foundation in fact, it would soon die away. Or if people affected by it would investigate fully, they would find its utter stupidity, or villainy, or both, and the disturbance would ultimately cease. The two weapons of attack upon the "Mormons" are old and dull-edged. They are brandished unceasingly, it is true, but they only glitter in the sunshine or gleam in the dark, without striking anything in particular. The first was of some force before the Church adopted the rule against further plural marriages, but since then it has only been beating away at the air. The other is entirely without effect, except to deceive. That which it is supposed to aim at has no actual existence. It never did have in the form pretended by its assailants. At the present time it is a matter of more fiction. Assuming that the leading authoritles of the Church direct the "rank and file," as their opponents please to call them, as to how they should vote. there appears to be some ground for the attacks verbally made against the mingling of religious authority and political action. But that assumption is altogether vain and baseless and unsupported by anything in the nature of proof. The argument is that "if" an individual or individuals, by virtue of ecclesiastical position presume to dictate in civil affairs, so as to dominate the minds and actions of citizens. in the exercise of the elective franchies, that power should be stricken from the hands of those priestly masters, or the slaves who submit to such tyranny should be deprived of the rights that belong to free citizens. That is very specious, but turns entirely upon the "if" of the argument. guishing of the flames of rebellion and is not tariff or imperialism, but the

That "if," however, is entirely hypothetical. No evidence is over offered that ... ould be accepted in any court or analytical mind, that such oppression, coercion, intimidation or force is either claimed or exercised by the authorities of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The request has been repeatedly made upon the anti-"Mormon" cranks and wilful slanderers who perpetually repeat their sophistries and groundless charges, to bring out actual instances of such dictation and give the names of individuals who have been ordered, or required, or compelled to vote for or against any party or candidate by the Church authorities. If this eccles. lastical interference had any substantial existence, some substantial evi-

dence of it would be adduced. If anything of the kind could be brought forward, it would show that something had been done in conflict with the doctrine and genius of the system commonly called "Mormonism." The free agency and liberty of all human beings is a fundamental of that faith. It encourages free thought and the free expression of the will of the individual, with due consideration for the views and acts of others. The independence of all intelligent beings is proclaimed by the Church as revealed from the Most High.

The so-called "Mormon" Church does not and cannot, as an organized body, dictate the political action of its members, for it takes the whole body to form the policy of the Church and its members are divided in their political preferences and affiliations. It is of no use to pretend to the contrary, for the facts and figures prove these conditions. If by the term "Church dictation" is meant the domination of Church members by Church leaders, that is coually stunid and baseless, for they also entertain different political opinions, and neither the votaries of one party or the supporters of another make any claim to the right of dictation as

to the politics of anybody, either as Church members or otherwise. As to "counsel" or "advice" or "persuasion," men of influence in the Church are extremely reluctant, even when approached by people who desire to learn their opinions in political matters, and therefore do not attempt to exercise undue influence over them and particularly avoid speaking ex cathedra. Indeed, the highest authorities of the Church decline peremptorily to express their views on these matters, for fear that they may be open to the charge which is so untruthfully made against them.

The Descret News is of the opinion that every man, no matter what may be his ecclesiastical status, has an denouement. equal right with all other citizens to express his opinions on living questions of any kind that affect the public welfare, and to use the influence which he has as a citizen to bring about the uplifting of mankind. This paper does not take the ground that either the Church as a body or its leaders in their sacerdotal capacity, should attempt to coerce the minds or acts of any human belogs, to impose penalties

the maintenance of the government chosen by the people. Secretary Taft does not seem to be sanguine about a peaceful settlement of the trouble. The attitude of this country will necessarily be determined by the course of events from now on.

ENGLAND INVADED.

As a result of recent military maneuvers, England has been conquered by an army supposed to have come over from Ireland. 'The "war" lasted only a little over two days, and it was watched with absorbing interest by foreign military attaches, as well as by English commanders.

General Arthur Paget led the invasion. Colonel Scott-Ker commanded the defending forces. The "war," says a dispatch, was hardly begun before the Irish army forced the British commander to evacuate his position on South Downs and fall back on the hills behind him. General Paget had distributed his men unknown to the British, after many hours spent in crawling and creeping over a difficult country, and placed them in position for a great overwhelming rush upon the defenders. Until they broke into view hardly a round of ammunition had been fired. South Downs confronted them and their scouls reported that the British commander had detached a division and a

cavairy brigade with heavy guns and howitzers to check their advance, but General Paget massed a strong division of infantry, artillery and other troops in a long line and launched them against the hills on which the British guns were in position. The British were completely outnumbered and Colonel Scott-Ker was forced to retire.

The account goes on to say that the defenders fell back on Chilgrove Hill, where they hoped to repel the invaders. The latter made their appearance on the dawn of the second day. "On came line after line, relentless as fate. In vain the guns stormed at them with shot and shell; in vain the rifles poured out streams of seeming lead. Nothing could stop the advance which General Paget had so well ordered and deter-

mined." And this, it is to be presumed, was all arranged for the purpose of giving the British the impression that England would be in danger of losing its independence, should foreign army chose to cross the Channel with hostile intentions. It was, no doubt, a spectacle arranged in the interest of a militarism that is continually agitating for the enlargement of the army and compulsory military service. A war drama staged for the purpose of demonstrating Great Britain's strength in a defense against foreign foes, would have had a different

The British people should take that kind of ocular demonstrations at their worth. In the first place, no foreign foe could land a considerable force in England, as long as the powerful British fleet guards the coasts. In the second place, such a force would very quickly meet with resistance from an entire people defending their homes, and not suppose that England can be conquered a riot: it is not even a revolution-it is the end of an age." in reality, as in a play-war, is prepos-

marck's blood-and-iron policy forced

upon the world. The British people who

have always had the foremost place in

the ranks of the nations should con-

tinue to hold out against the pressure

to retrograde. For the day of the tri-

umph of war lords cannot last much

longer. Peace must prevail. It is too

late in the day to force upon a free peo-

ple the chains under which so many

nations groan, and which they are try-

General Freyre Andrade has a "my

Negroes killing Georgia officers from

How different is glory from offices!

A Cincinanti dog catcher died the

other day of the rables. He seems to

have caught the rables instead of the

Governor-General Ide says that the

The peace terms are said to be

against the Cuban government. In

Cuba everything seems to be against

In Chicago breathes there the man

with soul so dead who cover to him-

self hath said, this is my ewn, my

Stensland says that he wants to

show the people that he is not the

black sheep that he has been painted.

Of course he isn't; in fact he isn't a

Theodore Stensland says his father

wants it understood that his heart

goes out first of all to the depositors.

But before his heart went out to the

The Cook county, Ill., W. C. T. U.

is using popular patent medicines as

composed chiefly of alcohol. It is

about the best use to which they have

A decision by the federal district

court holds that Indians leading a

sheep at all, only a scapegoat.

Philippines are improving. Few

places offer a greater chance for im-

policy" for reconstruction in Cuba.

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neuro question. It will take the best statesmanship that the country can produce to handle it successfully. When race prejudice shall have ceased to be then the race problem will have been solved, but not before.

General Andrade thinks that the way for Cuba out of her present trou. bles is a period of reconstruction under American supervision. Possibly. But the great obstacle in the way of such a remedy is the fact that the Cubans are not schooled in constitutional methods of governmeni, and when confronted with problems in government they are but too ready to resort to revolution. Before they can successfully govern themselves they must abandon the idea that their hope of solution of difficulties lies in an appeal to arms. Until they do this they must not expect successfully to govern their island.

'TAXING THE LIGHT OF STARS."

The Century. Nearly all the great free art of Europe now in this country is accessible --and sooner or later will be perma-nently accessible--to the public and to mulct Mrs. Gardiner or Mr. Mor. an or John Doe for bringing a work of art into this country is as though one should tax the light of the stars. The senator or representative from the in-terior who does not see the interest which this country, nay, his own state, has in our acquisition of the best purchasable foreign pictures, ought to have his eyes opened by a trip to Europe, where the value-even the money value -of art to a country, in its education. in its manufactures, in its happiness, has long been jealously recognized. The reader of these lines can help to hasten the better day by gently insisting that in the coming effort for free art his representatives at Washington shall take the enlightened and not the antiquated view.

MILLIONAIRES MUST DIE.

North American Review. One pathetic phase attending the accumulation of great riches is the necessity of dying. A millionaire recently deceased never used the word "death," and always resented its utterance in his presence. We know another man, quite as rich in worldly goods, who suffers from the same dislike in a degree even more intense. A standing order maintains in his household that all obltuary notices be clipped from newspapers before they reach his eye. It is not because he is fearful of consequences in the hereafter, for he sin-oerely believes himself to be a good man, and if his name were given the consensus of opinion would be that he has lived a better life than the majorlty of human beings. Having this con-viction, and being satisfied further that he can rely upon the justice at least of the One in whose image he himself was created, he feels no apprehension of an untoward fate. He simply cannot bear the thought of dying. He loves to live to do good.

THE END OF AN AGE.

"You are young and I am old." Tolstol is quoted as saying to an inter-viewer, "but as you grow elder you will ind, as I have found, that day follows day, and there does not seem much change in you, till suddenly you hear people speaking of you as an old man. It is the same with an age in history day follows day, and there does not seem to be much change, till suddenly found that the age is becoming It is It is finished: it is out of date old. merely from a few regular soldiers. To The present movement in Russia is not

Marine and Fresh-Water Animals in Japan," by K. Mitsukuri;" The Lumber Business of the Government," Geographic Literature." The numerous illustrations that accompany the various papers are excellent .- Hubbard Memorial Hall, Washington, D. C.

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The following is the list of contents of Ainsiee's for October: "A Maid and Her Money," novelette, Alice Duer Mil-ler: "Knowledge," poem, Carolyn ler: "Knowledge," poem, Carolyn Wells: "Audrey Cravea," serial, May Sinclair; "The Rest of a Stormy Pet-rel," short story, Francis Metcalfe; "The Forgotten Upper Ten Thousand," essay, Weymer Jay Mills; "The Desert," poem, John Curtis Underwood; "A Race Card," short Story, W. A. Fraser; poem, Chariotte Becker: Age When She Was an Only Boy," short story, Marion Hill; "The Changing Years," short story, Joseph C. Lincoln: "The Wives o' Women," poem, Anna Marble: "Mosieur," short story, T. W. Hanshew; "The Unforgetting," poem, Theodosia Garrison; "One Day Together," short story, Anne O'Hagan: "Credo," poem, Edwin Warren Guyol: "The Mrs. Gaskell Girl," short story, Constance Smedley. and Pearl Humphrey; "Visions of an Optimist," essay, Margaret Sutton Briscoe; "The Very Bottom of Her Purse," short story, Anne Warner; "Plays and Players," Channing Pollock; "To Goldenrod," poem, Minnie Ferris Hauenstein, and "For Book Lovers," Architeld Jourger Science, The conte Archibald Lowery Sessions. The cover design is a very pretty autumn pic-ture, by Thomas Mitchell Pierce.-Seventh avenue and Fifteenth street, New York.

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terous. Great Britain is about the only masters in any manner or in any sense European nation that has not fallen of the term. down to worship the idol that Bis-

upon them for declining to submit to

such dictation, or to pose as political

Every member of this Church is free to join with and support any political party or creed and to vote for any candidate that he chooses to aid, and is not under any obligation to submit to arbitrary control in such matters from any source under the sun. This is the truth before God and the world, and all rational people should understand it. and close their ears to the tumult of falsehood and folly raised by the most unscrupulous of political adventurers. that ever cursed any nation or commu-

OUR INTERESTS IN CUBA.

nlty.

ambush is nothing less than a black If the Cubans prove themselves unhand outrage. able to settle their own differences and re-establish order, the United States government will undoubtedly interfere There is usually enough of the former in order to safeguard American interto go round but never of the latter. ests. These are no small consideration.

A writer in Appleton's magazine gives some idea of the extent to which Americans are financially interested in the island. The Cuban loan of \$35,-000,000 was taken in New York, and the army vouchers by which the soldiers of the Cuban war of liberation were paid, were held by Americans, principally. The total of American capital actually in banking in Cuba is about \$4,625,000. American capital controls a railroad trunk-line service from one end of the island to the other. In the eastern end of the island the new Cuba Eastern- railway, in which \$5,000,000 has been invested, and the Guantanamo railway, credited with \$1,000,000, are also in American control. Americans own about half the entire railroad capital of Cuba. Americans also control electric transportation, and the telegraph and telephone lines.

American investments in industrial enterprises are also considerable. According to the article already quoted. sugar plantations owned by American capital range from 10,000 to 175,000 acres in area. The American Interest in the total sugar product is about 23 per cent and represents about \$30,000 .depositors his hand went out to their 000 in capital. The Tobacco trust, deposits. which owns 225,000 acres in Pinar del Rio and factories in Hayana, is said to have an investment of nearly \$40,-000,000. American investments in filuminants to show that they are fruit lands amount to about \$3,500,000. The copper and iron mines near Santiago and Daiquiri, owned by American ever been put. companies, represent about \$2,000,000. There are probably 1,125,000 head of cattle, representing \$40,000,000, and an estimated American Interest of \$30,-

civilized life may have the privileges 000,000. About 4,300,000 acres of land of other citizens. Among these privil. in the island are owned by Americans. eges is that of buying whisky. For The total American holdings are given the noble rodman it is the chief charm at about \$160,000,000 in value. of civilization. Americans have invested, undoubtedly, on the strength of the Platt Secretary Taft is thoroughly, disamendment to the Cuban constitution, gusted with the petty methods emby which the American government ployed by the government leaders in was authorized to maintain law and Cuba to obstruct the efforts of the order in the island as well as defend American commissioners to bring the new republic against foreign fore about a settlement of the present dif-The time has come for the Cuhan peoficulties. He should remember that ple to prove themselves worthy of self-Cuba is a petty republic and so bo government. If they fail when put to patient, the test, the authority conferred by the

The race trouble in and around At-Platt amendment will be exercised. lanta. Ga., is a reminder that this This, however, does not necessarily mean annexation. It means the extincountry's great and growing problem, ANTI-AMERICAN FEELING.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Mexico celebrated her anniversary of independence and simultaneously the umors of ardent anti-American feeling were put to rest. No one, except a few visionaries on both sides of the line, credited the startling reports sent from the border provinces of forthcoming massacres, assassinations and reigns of terror. These revolutionary tactics of terror. scheduled to begin early but the reports from the republic indicate that the country never passed a quieter holiday.

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