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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The sixty-seventh semi-annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will convene in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, October 6, 1896.

The officers and members of the Church generally are cordially invited to attend the meetings of the Conference.

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INCOMPLETE REGISTRATION.

The painful fact stares us in the face that the registration of voters, of those who would be safe with registration, is incomplete and unsatisfactory. The blame for this state of things may be varied and various; in places there charged with the duty of making the enrollment may have had more of a task than they could handle and make a complete job of it, or they may in some instances have been misled by the belief that they had plenty of time and thus failed to exercise due diligence in the earlier part of their labors. There may also have been cases in which the citizen himself was the party in error, though from all the information at hand such cases must be rare indeed.

A house-to-house canvass, thorough as the law-makers undoubtedly expected such a system would be, is in the more remote parts of this city, at least a partial failure, for the reason that at the time the registrar is likely to call, the main voters and perhaps some of the others are of necessity absent, attending to business. In this instance alone we are personally aware of some having been missed, indicating that the whole number must be considerable. This is to be deplored, not only on account of the practical disqualification for the time being of those so omitted, but because it is a means of inaugurating minority rule among the majority, the failing of the reasons stated may be as much greater than among the other class that the minority in fact will constitute the majority of those who are permitted to vote.

After today there will be but two more opportunities for our citizens to get their names on the registry list and thus to entitle in vote in November; these are two days specially set apart in October, the 12th and 13th. But even with such means of safety and the prevailing lack of information regarding the subject, it is greatly to be feared that enough who are eligible will be encouraged to shun the ballot box, while many may be pronounced at the polls. There will be a little time after this issue of the News reaches its readers in this city, the books not being closed till 8 o'clock, but it is a question of course as to whether the registration officer within that time, failing in which the office will have to take his chances on the counting date named.

The Legislature certainly had in view, in the passage of the election and registration law, the establishment of a system whose operation would be just and satisfactory in both halves—the absolute exclusion of corruption, corruption of fraud, and the accessibility of the franchise to all entitled to it. It is evident, however, that the system will need improving, and that such improvement will be had we may be reasonably well assured, even though in advance.

CONVENTION DAY.

Yesterday was predominantly convention day for Utah. Three grand gatherings, as widely separated geographically as continent and polity, were held in the State—one here, one at Provo, and one at Mount Pleasant. There is something that seems to commend itself in such a distribution, showing that no part of the community

would necessarily care anything like a monopoly of the historical advantages of these gatherings. The political war was on to the last in all its trimmings, pageants and side-lights of whatever character—ostentatious or simple—music, comedy and that indissoluble sister, cheering, were abundantly the work to each case was completed as far as the circumstances admitted could complete it; and not it remained the power to excite the admiration of all the gains of the election of November next.

One scheme of previous contention eliminated from the situation by the action of two of the conventions—electoral resolutions, who were resolved that the election of the Presidential party, as far as Utah is concerned, That Bryan and Sewall will have a great majority is no doubt as yet what the facts are, provided only that no further important changes in the status of affairs shall be made. Any such changes as late in the day are likely now are promised or expected.

As to what effect the detection of

the bribe or whatever else it may be called, in the Republican ranks, will have on the remainder of the offices voted for, it is not so easy to say, undoubtedly it will have some. Just how much no one can safely pretend to predict. For that information also, we will have to wait till the end of November.

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The history of this woman, known as Anna Tetera, or Anna Gomma, is quite interesting. She was born a camp near Tucson in the state of Arizona. It is claimed that she is a small Indian who exercised a peculiar power over animals, birds and even insects, causing her to where she called them. It is generally supposed that there is a strong color of Indian blood in her veins, mingled with the Spanish blood.

At sixteen, she fell in love with a young Mexican, a worthless fellow, and during the extreme. The wedding day was appointed but the bridegroom failed to appear. This was a crushing blow to the young girl. After a hysterical outburst, she fled to the floor and seemed to have passed beyond the bounds of mortal existence. A week later she awoke, having recovered from her swoon, and said to her friends, "I am not dead." She had been talking with God and the blessed Virgin, and I can sure you of all these."

Thus the report of what had taken place spread among the people and a crowd gathered. Many sick persons were brought to her. It is asserted that when she lay at them with her big, dark eyes and prayed over them, they were cured and went away rejoicing; and it is perfectly natural that such names should result in gathering round her a large crowd of followers who would see in her supposed power over sickness a real indication of divine authority. For six years she has devoted her time to the cure of the sick, and as her friends think, with marvelous results.

Thus the movement would have been assumed a military aspect, had it been a little longer. But it appears that the Mexican authorities involved in stamping out and succeeded to arrest Tetera. She lies in the mountains, then the Indians rise. They declared she should be protected in her home. It is not sufficiently clear whether the girl herself has any revolutionary spirit, or whether those who are led by her are not followers. When she addresses the crowds she always speaks of faith and grace and divine inspiration, and not of rebellion. On the other hand, Mexicans declare they have seen her at the head of a band of rebels, preceded by bands playing through the mountain regions, and they believe these excursions are but for the purpose of organizing an armed rebellion. The Apaches, however, hope to capture Mexico, at least, and the object of their expedition is to the extreme south of the Republic, preceded by bands traveling through the mountain regions, and they believe these excursions are but for the purpose of organizing an armed rebellion.

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