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SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

To the Officers and Members of the
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day
Saints:

Conference meetings will commence
at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning,
October 4th, 1884, in the Large Taber-
nacle in this city.

The presence of all the officers and
members who can possibly attend is
earnestly desired.

JOHN TAYLOR,
GEORGE C. CANNON,
JOSEPH F. SMITH,

First Presidency of the Church of
Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 28, 1884.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

At Charlotte, N. C., is a fountain
which sends a stream 368 feet high, icy
cold and clear as crystal. It has its
source in the adjacent mountains, and
is said to be the highest in the world.

Dakota farmers are complaining
in the midst of good crops. They say it
costs one bushel of wheat to send
three to market, and it costs 1,000 feet
of lumber to get 1,000 from Minnesota.

A local individual in Chicago has
been advertising bogus death notices
in the papers and then enjoying the
consternation of the bereaved. To the
latter, however, who was com-
pelled to discontinue his friends in the
anticipation of the funeral, it was far from
humorous.

The next State election will be held
in Georgia, on Wednesday, October 1st.
Of course the Democrats "have things
all their own way" and the interest
will attach to the result. The
eyes of the country will be on Ohio
and West Virginia on this time for-
ward until Tuesday, October 14th, when
their State elections take place.

Edison predicts that within fifty
years in the city of New York electric-
ity will propel the cars of the streets
and elevated roads, light the city with-
in and without its buildings, furnish
power for all purposes, work tele-
phones and burglar alarms, deliver the
opera, convey parcels, detect and sig-
nal fires, operate fire engines, and pos-
sibly displace animal locomotion for
vehicles.

The revision of the Old Testament,
which, it was hoped, would be out this
year, will probably not make its ap-
pearance before early in 1885. The
eighty-fifth and last session of the
English Revision Committee has been
held, but months must intervene before
the complete work can be given to the
public. Nothing is positively known
of any changes made in the old version,
the revision on both sides of the At-
lantic having kept their pledge of se-
crecy.

We wish it were so, that the good
actions of the world were reported to
the same extent and particularity as
the bad actions. Better to have the
latter entirely than to ferret out every-
thing calculated to abuse the public
sentiment, while the commendable
occurrences of life, except those of a
very prominent character, are rarely
set before the public for imitation. The
padding of the sins, crimes and gen-
eral immoralities of the day, do more to
mutilate than to enlighten the con-
tracting publications possibly can.

The ravages of the cholera in the
Italian cities have been so great and
deplorable as to completely eclipse the
progress of the disease in France. But
this is not remarkable in view of the
notorious fact that Italian civilization
has for ages past degraded the lower
classes of the population in poverty,
filth and helplessness, so miserable
and abject that any plague visiting
Europe readily seized on such pesti-
lential congregations.

In this country, where greatness does
not depend upon the accident of birth,
the eminence of a name rarely lasts be-
yond one generation. Distinguished
sires are too often disgraced by degen-
erate sons, and the honored name of
Henry Clay, although it has been held
by several honorable descendants, has
at last been stained by the murder
of his namesake in a drunken brawl.
No matter how high a point men reach
often descend to a corresponding depth
in the pit of degradation.

The three States voting in October,
Georgia, Ohio and West Virginia, have
forty-one electoral votes, and are re-
presented by thirty-five members in
the lower house of Congress. Unlike
Ohio and West Virginia, Georgia votes
only for State officers, selecting its
Congressmen in November. The Oc-
tober vote in Georgia, therefore, will
probably be considerably more impor-
tant of the succeeding month, and it
will attract little attention in the coun-
try at large. The interest will centre
in the contests in West Virginia and
Ohio.

Something must be wrong in the
arts of production, the science of trans-
portation or the business of distribu-
tion, when it can truthfully be said
that "bread is cheaper in London than
it is in Chicago," as is the case at the
present time. The only point at which
combination and monopolistic organ-
ization are not possible is the initia-
tive one at the farm. The farmers can
neither regulate production nor fix the
price. The buyers have their ring, the
millers theirs, and the bakers theirs.
Only the producers and the consumers
of the wheat are unprotected.

It is odd to notice how difficult it is
for a writer to make any change, how-
ever slight, in his signature, after it
has once got into the title-page of a
book. Just now, Mr. Edmund Gosse,
who has dropped a W. out of the mid-
dle, and Mr. Brander Matthews, who
has dropped a J. from the beginning of
his name, are often annoyed by see-
ing themselves referred to as Mr. E. W.
Gosse and Mr. J. B. Matthews. Most
people have already forgotten that
Bayard Taylor was once J. Bayard
Taylor, and that Bret Harte signed his
first book F. Bret Harte. In like man-
ner, Mr. Austin Dobson has dropped an
H. and Mr. Laurence Hutton a J., while
Mr. Cosmo Monkhouse was for-
merly W. Cosmo Monkhouse, and Mr.
Bronson Howard once paraded his name
with a C. Charles Dickens had left be-
hind him two initials, and Richard
Brinsley Sheridan gave up a fourth
name when he entered into literature.

ANOTHER EXPOSURE OF SLANDER.

On the 8th of September a correspon-
dence from Elder William M. Palmer
appeared in this paper. The writer
showed that the Salt Lake Tribune
was responsible, because of the constant
stream of anti-Mormon scandal
that flows through its columns,
for many of the numerous asser-
tions made upon the Elders. As
evidence, he related his own experi-
ence while on a mission in Michigan,
in 1876, when he was mobbed and
abused on account of a vile and slan-
derous personal attack upon himself,
which appeared in that paper. One of
the onslaughts to which he referred
appears to have taken place, however,
before the abusive article was sent to
his field of labor, and Elder Palmer
being now in the city, we concluded
to interview him upon the subject,
which we did, as follows:

Question—In your letter to the News
a short time ago, in showing the effects
of the vicious libels of the Salt Lake
Tribune in mobocratic outbursts
against the Elders, there appeared to
be some discrepancy; some of the per-
secution to which you were subjected
at Westville having evidently occurred
shortly before your departure from that
place to the paper named containing a vil-
lous scandal about you reaching that
part of the country. Can you explain
this?

There was so much opposition im-
mediately before and after the sending
of the copies of the Salt Lake Tribune
containing the scandal in relation to
me that circumstances occurring there
subsequently got intermixed in my
memory. This was in consequence
of my having no written
data to refer to, my journal,
which contained all the particu-
lars having been destroyed with
the other contents of my trunk when
Elder Rose's house was burned to the
ground by anti-Mormon incendiaries.
It is true that the mobbing de-
scribed in my letter to the News as
having occurred at Westville, took
place before the copies of the Tribune
reached my field of labor, but the other
acts of violence were committed after
the falsehoods of that paper. The
Wheatland outrage was a direct result
of the slanderous article regarding me,
and as proof of this the paper was
quoted by the mobocrats, who ex-
claimed, "You need not deny these
charges for they came right from your
own Territory, in the Salt Lake Tri-
bune." Many times the scandal was
thrown at me at different places both
by men and women.

In February following the
reception of the paper containing the
malicious lies regarding me, I was
joined by Elder Orson Eggleston, of
Wabash County, and while we were to-
gether we were insulted frequently by
having the scandal flung at us, and
after that when I was alone, from the
same cause, a party who had read or
heard of the report, set a large dog
upon me, which came at me savagely,
and it would have been for nothing, but
because I was alone, I spoke to it.
At Westville, a short time after the
Tribune scandal reached there, I was
forced into a discussion with a minis-
ter of the Adventist Church, the only
source of reference made by my oppo-
nent being the lying statements of the
Tribune and an anti-Mormon "book."
The same clergyman, however, after-
wards changed his attitude to me
personally and became very
courteous. In fact I may say that,
in a general sense, I outlived the Tri-
bune assault, many of those who had
been influenced by it to become very
bitter, subsequently becoming my
friends and treating me with marked
kindness. In proof of this change of
sentiment I may add that the head-
quarters of the mission were estab-
lished after these occurrences, near West-
ville, continuing about three years
with but few manifestations of oppo-
sition.

Q.—What ground had Samuel W. Rose
for saying you claimed to have receiv-
ed the white stone spoken of in the
Bible?

A.—None whatever. I never made such
a statement at any time or in any place.
The Tribune asks:

First—Is it not true, Mr. Palmer,
that you had, previous to the persecu-
tion which you charge upon the Tri-
bune, persuaded Mr. Rose, the wife of
"Sam Rose," (who wrote the above
letter), as you style him, to believe
that it was his duty to leave his wife
and follow you to Utah?

Answer—I never attempted to per-
suade Mrs. Rose to do any such thing,
I never told her or any other woman
that it was her duty to leave her hus-
band.

Second—Is it not true that "Sam
Rose" merely did just what any father
would have done; kept the children
and drove the destroyer from his
home?

Answer—"Sam Rose" never drove
me from his home.

Third—Is it not true that for sev-
eral years you solicited money from
your friends to bring this "poor discon-
solate widow" to Zion?

Answer—I never solicited money at
any time from any one anywhere to
bring this woman to Zion.

Fourth—Is it not true that you were
married to this Mrs. Rose—that
kind of a Rose by any other name
would answer?

Answer—I never married Mrs. Rose
then or at any other time, in any place
or by any form or ceremony whatever.

Fifth—Was not your poor faithful
first wife nearly crazed at that event?

Answer—No such event having taken
place, my wife had no occasion to
be nearly crazed.

Sixth—Was not your first wife
then living with her children in Glen-
wood, in a miserable hotel with her
made of willows and earth thrown
over her, through which the water
dripped when it rained?

Answer—At that time the time I was
on that mission, my wife was in Glen-
wood, Sevier County, and lived in a
good log house with a lumber roof.

Seventh—At that same time was not
your real wife in a suitable condi-
tion for a woman in her delicate condi-
tion?

Answer—My wife never saw the time
that she was not fully supplied with
the necessities of life, as well as mis-
erious families, usually are, whose
heads are abroad preaching the gospel
without salary.

Eighth—Are you not, at this time
more than forty years of age, and is it
not a fact that you "were but a poor
obscure boy" only eight years ago?

Answer—I am not forty years of age.
Ninth—Were you not a slave when
that mission because you were of a
little account, that the chiefs of the
church determined to make you earn
your bread as a mission?

Answer—I never heard of anything
of the kind, and the chiefs of the
church were not acquainted with my
circumstances at all so far as I know.

Tenth—Finally when you think back
on all the things you did in Michigan
are you not glad you were sent there
instead of to Utah?

Answer—Whatever I have done in
Michigan I am not ashamed of, and I
in every place where I labored there, I
have been repeatedly slandered, many
such places where were enemies through
the lies of the Tribune and my
friends.

Question by Ed. D. N.—Will you
state the facts in regard to Mrs. Rose?
A.—In the fall of 1876, Elder Palmer
attended at a meeting in Westville, Michi-
gan, at which time he was with his wife.
After time he quit coming but his

wife continued her attendance in com-
pany with her brother Henry Thomp-
son and his wife, and by and by she
was baptized. I never went to that
meeting except by invitation. I
Rose's house to dinner, accompanying
him each time. He always was a
man, addicted to drinking. Previous
to this time his wife had left him twice,
but afterwards she went back to him
and stayed with him. After he had been
suffering from his drinking habit, he
never went near their house.
Just before this came out in the Tri-
bune, she was at the time still living
with him; he became so brutal, and
treated her so badly that she left him.
This was in the winter after the fall of
1877 when I returned home to Utah.
She went to Millbrook, and there kept
boarding house and went out washing
to support her children. Rose not do-
ing anything for them. During the time
that I was home, some other
Elders went out there and visited her,
and her strong in the faith. I re-
turned again to the mission and saw
her only once during the time of that
second mission. She had left her hus-
band during the time I was here in
Utah, and on my return to Michigan I
went to visit her once at her
mother's and stepfather's home.
I came home to Utah again
after staying nearly two years.
While I was at home in Utah she was
married to a non-Mormon, and is
still living with him near Millbrook,
Meosota County, Michigan. I have
heard the name of the present husband
of the wife of the late Elder Palmer, I
can further state that John Thompson,
who is mentioned in Sam Rose's letter,
which states that he and Henry Thomp-
son were dragged into "Mormonism" by
their wives, now lives at Glenwood,
Sevier County, in this Territory, can
certify, and is prepared to do it, to the
fact of the Tribune sending to him the
info, that neighborhood, and to the
violence caused by them. Henry
Thompson, a brother-in-law of Rose,
came with his wife to Utah in 1878,
lived for a time on Cottonwood, and
this spring moved to Arizona in re-
sponse to a call made upon them to
take a mission to that country. Both
these families are strong in the faith
to-day, and their affidavits to support
my statements can doubtless be forth-
coming at any time. Herrington,
Thompson and Mrs. Rose were all bat-
tized at the same time, and did go
twelve miles from their homes to at-
tend a meeting which I was holding
with a branch of the church, after
which they requested baptism.

The foregoing is a complete refuta-
tion of the slanders of the Tribune.
Not only has the infamous course of
that paper contributed to the creation
and swelling of the tide of brutal per-
secution in Elder Palmer's case, but
in hundreds of other instances, lead-
ing even to the shedding of the blood
of innocents. Its slanders have not
only been infamously false, fabricated
for outside effect and the accomplish-
ment of ulterior purposes, but they
have been of the most cowardly char-
acter.

Look, for instance, at the array of
questions put by that sheet to Elder
Palmer, every one of which can be
truthfully answered in the negative.
The effect intended by these interroga-
tions, to be created abroad is that
Elder Palmer is guilty of the crimes
referred to by them, and just look at
the character of the innuendoes, resort-
ed to by the journalistic bush-
whacker.

They were formulated for the pur-
pose of conveying the impression that
the object of the scurrilous attack had
seduced a wife from her husband and
family, and taken possession of her;
that he had destroyed the peace of his
own family thereby as well as of the
one upon which he is alleged to have
committed the trumped-up outrage;
that he kept his wife in a condi-
tion of perpetual destitution under the
most aggravated circumstances;
with that he had been a miserably
wretched man; and that he was of no
use at home; and that he was
disrespectably as to be "deserving of
death."

Surely neither pen nor tongue could
be prostituted to greater depths of
infamy than to be used with such un-
sparing malignity against an un-
flinching, unrepentant man, in order
to create prejudice abroad against him
and the community with which he is
connected. Not only are these interroga-
tions false as to the facts, but they il-
lustrate the old adage that "any fool can
slandeer." Elder Palmer was not
not aware that they had been publish-
ed until he reached this city on Mon-
day last.

The peridy of the person who penned
these questions can perhaps be aptly
illustrated by addressing a few to
himself.

Is it not true that, when you
lived at Virginia City, Nevada, you
secretly associated with a gang of
thieves and robbers, and helped them
to lay a plan for murder and robbery,
resulting in the assassination of the
paymaster of a certain mine, and can
you deny that you received a consid-
erable portion of the spoil obtained
from the perpetration of that dark and
bloody deed?

Is it not true that you are now
living in adultery with a notorious
woman?

Is it not true that you were con-
nected with a bank robbery in Nevada,
and that you only escaped the punish-
ment you deserved by the free use of
the money you obtained by that trans-
action?

Is it not also true that you have,
in the most cowardly and inexcusable
manner, together with some associates,
slandered the most false and malignant
dispersed about innocent people who
have never harmed you, and that you
consequently ought to hide your head
in shame?

Were we unprincipled, like the
"American gentlemen," who conduct
the Salt Lake Tribune, we would
let such questions go out unanswered,
that a false impression in regard to
the character of an individual and class
of the community might be made. Did
we resort to such a dishonest and vil-
lous practice as this, as illustrated
by the animadversions upon Elder
Palmer, we would neither be entitled
to our own respect nor that of any de-
cent people.

This being the situation we state
that to our best information and be-
lieve the first three of these questions
could be correctly answered with a de-
cided negative, but the proof, which
shows that at 8 o'clock on Saturday
evening, September 28th, 1884, we were
given to number four, is furnished al-
most daily, with nearly every issue of
the sheet to whose mendacity we have
referred. But our illustration ought
to be sufficient to show how wide a
departure its conductors, in their diurnal
course, have taken from the "golden
rule."

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