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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 Tabernacie, 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.

FAILURE IN HEALING.

A press dispatch from Kansas City, Mo., gives some particulars of an attempt by a new leader among the Dowleites to supplant and dethrone Voliva. who is now at the head of the Chicago "Zion". We are not concerned about the conditions among the Dowleites, nor whether Voliva or the new aspirant, Parham, shall have control of affairs in their city. We make reference to this subject simply because of a sentence in the dispatch to which we have referred, that conveys a very common error and it has gone forth through the press to the people of this country. It is as follows:

"Parham also claimed the power to Kansas City, Mrs. Porter Huntington, of Rome, N. Y., died while on her way to this city in spite of the prayers offered here and by her daughter while on the train."

Healing by prayer, which implies faith, is part of the Christian religion; that is to say, the religion taught by Jesus Christ and his Apostles. It has been east out of the creeds of the modern seets in Christendom, but is plainly inculcated in the New Testament. When Jesus of Nazareth called the Twelve disciples to be His Apostles and sent them out "as sheep among wolves" to preach His word without money preparedness of the government withand without price, one of the duties He imposed upon them was to heal "all manner of sicknesses and all manner of disease," (Matt. x, 1.) After His resurrection he gave them a commission to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," and among the signs which He said would follow them that believe was, "They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." (Mark xvi; 18).

The history of the acts of the Apostles shows that the healing of the sick by faith and prayer was part of the doctrine of the Church, as much so as the Lord's supper. The gift of healing was enumerated by the Apostle Paul among "the gifts of the Spirit," (I Cor. will) and James gave specific instructions that if any were sick among the Saints they should call for the Elders of the Church, who should anoint them with oil and pray over them. The promise was that "the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up," (James v, 15). We need not particularize further on this point.

The motive power in this treatment of the sick was faith. If it was so in former times, as related in the epistle to the Hebrews (chap, xi) it should be so now, for "the same cause will produce the same effects." There are numberless witnesses to the truth of this statement and the cogency of the argument. These are not altogether confined to the experiences of the Latter -- day Saints. There are others who have learned for a certainty that the sick may be healed by faith. But this does not prove that the sick in every instance can be healed by prayer and the laying on of hands, or that the power of death is to be overcome in that way, If so, the early Christians and the Apostles who administered to them need not have suffered long from pain or disease, or come under the dominion of that law which declares that, "Il is appointed unto man once to die."

Suppose it is true that the lady mentloned in the dispatch died in Kansas City "in spite of the prayers offered there." Does that afford any evidence to prove that no other persons have been healed through prayer and faith! We hear of individuals of different ages succumbing to disease, notwithstanding the care of the best physicians and the administration of the most potent remedies. Does that go to prove that persons afflicted in a similar way who have survived, have not been healed by the means and services which failed in the other cases? The notion conveyed in that which we have quoted from the Kansas City dispatch is often expressed in this connection, by people who might be supposed to have better sense and profounder judgment.

It will not be denied by believers in the Bible that the slok were healed in numerous instances by the administrations of the Hebrew prophets and of Christ's apostles. Yet we find Paul writing to Timothy advising him what to use for "his stomach's sake and his often infirmities," and stating that "Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick." We might refer to many instances in which the hollest of men and

bealing by faith is made a part of its | children, and maintain the highest | gubernatorial nomination in New | Bits

have been made to its ministers as were er, and at the same time the ordinance for the healing of the sick is to be adwill of man. Sometimes it is absent in the patient, at others in the minister. It is the gift of God. If it could be exercised on all occasions, sickness and death would both be banished and one of the purposes of Delty concerning mortality would be frustrated.

We hold to the principle of faith as a spiritual force. In its perfection it is an attribute of the Almighty. It is in some instances a great gift possessed by mortals. To impart relief to the suffering, by any means, is a joy to the sympathetic heart. The gift to bestow this been ought never to be made a matter of merchandise. In that respect it is different from the knowledge and skill in surgery or medicine, obtained by study and practice which involve expense. It is freely given by Deity and ought to be freely exercised by man, So with every gift of the Gospel of the Redeemer. They cannot be purchased with cash. There should be no demand for fees in their administration.

This is a sceptical age. People who do not understand such matters are prone to ridicule the faith of believers. Their incredulity, however, should not be earried to the point of denying the power of faith in the heating of the sick because some persons are not healed and the common lot of mortals is death.

DECLARATIONS OF WAR.

A congress on intenational law at Ghent recently adopted a resolution urging the recognition by all civilized nations of the obligation of governments involved in disputes to declare war formally before commencing actual hostilities. This would be a good rule, if it could be enforced. But often the government really responsible for the breach of the peace does not care to shoulder the responsibility, and so tries to make it appear that its attack is but an act of defense. When two powers about to engage in a war are, as it were, jockeying for the position of the attacked party, there can be no formal declaration of war; only a proclamation making it known that a state of war exists. Russia complained of Japan's sudden

attack upon Port Arthur and Chemulpo in 1994, without any other warning than the departing of the Japanese minister from St. Petersburg. The fact is, however, that for several years Japan had prepared for that war. Ever since Russia stepped in between China and Japan and took from the latter country the most important fruits of its victory, the war of revenge was planned. Russia could not have been in ignorance of this. The Japanese themselves did not conceal their intentions. Their magazine writers predicted the war years before it came, and Russian diplomats must have had inside information that left the unprevailed that a formal declaration of war must precede hostilities, it is possible that the war would not have come. For Russia would have had time to make further promises concerning the evacuation of Manchuria, and by such promises the war might have been delayed. In the meantime Russia would have been preparing for the fray, and perhaps Japan could have been induced to submit the contro-

versy to the Hague Tribunal. It is doubtful whether the suggestion of the Ghent conference will be generally accepted, though its effects undoubtedly would be to restrain to some extent the war dogs. Governments that prefer an appeal to arms to submission to reason and argument are not likely to surrender the prerogative of commencing war in any manner and by any methods that may seem of advantage to them. As long as there is no power to enforce the provisions of international law, that law will as often be broken as not.

COST OF LIVING.

The discussion of wages and cost of living renders the articles in Harper's Bazar on the family budget question of general interest. One wife shows that out of her husband's annual earnings of \$1,500 she can save only \$60. The family consists of four persons, and the expenses of living are given

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Another lady, the wife of a husband who earns only \$1,100 a year, gives the following itemized statement of expenditures. They are also four in

Gas (cooking, laundry and light. Food (about) 178 *********** Clothing (about) Sundries (dentist, car fare, lunch for my husband, amusements, postage, charity and other ex-

Tetal\$1,100 This is very interesting as far as it coss. It shows that, at the present of New York, last June, in the first three months of the year the average earnings of 333,000 workmen employed in factories, stores, hotels, railway service, etc., were \$2.33 a day, or \$212 for the three months. The average

wage for a day's work in this period

was \$3.99, but as laborers are not em.

established creed. The same promises standard of the American working man? That is a serious question. The given to their predecessors of ancient | fallure to solve that problem causes times. But the fact is recognized that a great deal of unrest among laborers, "all have not faith." In their cases who know that they are swindled by medical and surgical treatment is prop- extortionate prices on nearly every commodity they must buy, and burdened down with taxes not necessarily ministered. Faith does not come by the | needed if public affairs were managed ecomonically and honestly.

LIBERTY IN RUSSIA.

According to an Associated Press dispatch, the Russian government is contemplating the granting of full religious liberty to the people of the empire. An ukase on that subject was issued over a year ago, and now it is intended to make still further concessions. Dissenters will be permitted to leave the orthodox church and form churches of their own, and their ministers will then have practically the same status as the clergy of the Greek church. The dissenters will have equal rights with the Orthodox church members in the matter of erecting school and church buildings and the receiving of proselytes. 'In fact," an Orthodox priest said to the Associated Press, "they will be more free than the Orthodox church, which is the state church and subject to a mass of state regulations."

This is important, if true. If the Russians are granted the privilege of thinking for themselves on subjects concerning their spiritual welfare, and to express opinions freely, they will thereby gradually become qualified for full political liberty. Religious freedom is the basis of all freedom. The countries that now enjoy that greatest of temporal blessings have reached it through a struggle for the right to freedom of thought and expression. Great Britain and the United States furnish, in the history of their development, the proof of this. It is on the battle fields of religious thought that the sweetest flowers of liberty grow in profusion, Where religious liberty is successfully assailed, other rights belonging to man will soon become lost. Man is of the Deity. If his soul is confined within the narrow limits constructed by bigotry, like a bird in a cage, it loses much of its power of growth and development. Freedom is its nature. Only when free can it think its noblest thoughts and sing its sweetest songs. Only when free can it realize its best aspirations. Strike at religious liberty, and you strike at the root of everything that is divine in human nature.

DIVINE RETRIBUTION.

God has surely branded with His dis. approval the acts of the persecutors of His Saints, in the fate that has overtaken them already in this life, as seen in the records of history. The Millennial Star reminds its readers of the consequences of the deeds of cruelty of some noted rebels against the Almighty. Herod the Great, the slayer of the innocents, and first persecutor of Christianity, was overwhelmed with agonized physical disease; and his numerous family was extinct in a hundred years. Pontius Pilate, who conned Christ, was soon after expell-Nero, after slaying thousands of Christians, attempted to take his own life; but, failing through cowardice, called others to his aid. Domitian was murdered by his own people. So was it with the Emperors Caius, Severus, and Hellogabaius. Scarcely one, if any, of the prominent persecutors of the Church escaped signal retribution. The Emperor Claudius was eaten of worms. Decius, Gailus, Aurelian, Maximian, all persecutors of the Church, died deaths of violence. Maximus put out the eyes of thousands of Christians, soon after which a fearful disease of the eyes broke out among his people, of which he himself died in great agony. Valens, who caused fourscore presbyters to be sent to sea in a ship and burnt alive, himself defeated by the Goths, fled to a cottage, where he was burnt alive. The fate of so many noted persecutors should be a warning to all not to attempt to follow in their

Will Palma stay resigned?

All that Jerome got at Buffalo was the sulks.

An ounce of prevention isn't worth a pound of radium.

Intervention in Cuba is close at hand. It is the hand of fate.

Freddy Ghebardt has married a Floradora sextette girl. It serves them both

Since his arrival at Joliet Stensland has become a man of settled convic-

Palma is in a state of nervous prostration. His country is in a state of

It is particularly true that no one knows what the morrow will bring forth in Cuba.

The I'te Indians now in Wyoming are about as aimless in their wanderings as the Doukhabers.

Isn't it a little soon for political conventions to endorse "the speedy building" of the Panama canal?

After such a celebration as Colorado has given its discovery, Pike's Peak is justified in holding its head high.

Even those Democrats who so stren-

nously opposed the nomination of Mr. Hearst must admit that he is a captivating candidate, Lovers of nature who go Into raptures over a sunrise can see the sun

Hampshire, and very few are able to

Palma has permitted it to be given out that he misunderstood Secretary Taft's letter. He also seems to have misunderstood the Cuban situation.

A consular report says that the City of Mexico mint has coined since its establishment in 1537 the enormous sum of \$3.684,018,624, of which amount \$3.546,* 393,617 was in silver.

The Moderates and Liberals in trying to settle their differences seem to be proceding on the policy of how not to do it. And in this policy they are succeeding admirably.

The Churchman.

Right living will usually correct wrong thinking, and in the church it be the life of the whole body will ripen and perfect its The corporate life alone can meet the problems of today; prob-lems, ecclesiastical and spiritual, industrial and social; problems of thought, like the critical study of the Bible in its relation to social ques-tions; problems of action, like the progress of missons, problems of economic peace, of national and in-ternational justice and fair dealing. Only when we have recovered our hold on this truth will the church really be a working church and a believing church, alive as our bodies are alive, church, alive as our bodies are alive, from heart to finger tip. Only then shall we have an active lay membership, laboring heart and soul in a work which they love. Only then shall we have a prophetic ministry, preachers with a message for their time, who will win men because they love men, who will be wise to deal with them because quick to understand them because quick to understand

LAZY PEOPLE FEEL THE HEAT.

Pittsburg Times.

According to Prof. Morrison of the University of Chicago, summer is not the logical season for taking vacations. As shown by the action of certain ani-mals in hibernating winter is the natural time for resting and recuperating from one's labors. "The summer heat is most enervating to the idlers, loafers, those who have nothing to keep their minds and bodies busy. As proof of this, do we not all feel the heat more acutely on Sunday than on any other day? A 75-degree temperature on Sunday causes more suffering than one of 85 degrees on Monday. The man or woman who keeps busy on a hot day would never notice the heat, nine times out of ten, were it not for the remarks of others who have nothing to do but think and talk about the weather.

FALLS BUT DOESN'T WAKE.

North American.

Falling 15 feet from a second-story window to the sidewalk, Michael Tessick of Chester, Pa., a sleep-walker, was not awakened by the fall, nor was he injured. Two passers by who saw Tessick fall went to him, expecting to find the man dead. A policeman was summoned, and he sent for an ambu-lauce. When the officer attempted to turn the man over to see how badly he was injured, Tessick awoke with a start and wanted to know if it was time to get up. After being thoroughly aroused, he got upon his feet, went into the house and returned to bed, to remain until morning.

HEADACHE FROM HIGH COLLARS

Pall Mall Gazette. That high collors tend to produce nervous headache among both men and is the most recent discovery o a well known Viennese physician. Quite accidentally the doctor's attention was directed to the very high and very tight style of collar worn by the patient who was always complaining of headaches and giddiness. The collar was laid aside, thus removing the compression of the neck, and the patient's headaches and giddiness disappeared. Struck by this result the doctor paid particular at-tention to the kind of collars worn by his, "headache patients" and in very many instances the change to lower and easier fitting collars brought immediate relief. In the case of women wearing high, stiff neckbands it was found that doing away with these had a similarly beneficial result. The docdency to headache should wear high

PEOPLE'S LOBBY FOR CONGRESS.

New York Tribune. If anybody is naughty in Congress hereafter, he will have to reckon with This is the "people's lob "which is announced to begin work Washington of the next session of Congress. Its first duty, according to the announcement in the October number of Success, which is sponsor for the idea, will be to watch all committee and legislative work through a manent bureau established in Wash-ington, D. C., and combat the attorneys "special interests." Incidentally the bureau will keep records of the public career of each Senator and Repre sentative. There is to be nothing frantic in the work, the magazine promises, and politics is to be faithfully

JUST FOR FUN.

Visitor (to artist's young wife)-Whatever were you two laughing over Wife-O, it was such fun! My hus-

band painted and I cooked, and then we both guessed what the things were meant for.—From Meggendorfer Blatter.

Didn't Ask Much.

"Are you not going for a holiday this

'I don't think so, I cannot think of a place that fulfills all my require What are those?"

"Well, I want a quiet Paris, 1.000 feet above the sea, on the coast, with Bayreuth plays and Karlsbad springs." -Lustige Blatter.

Charte a grade Carles Magazine contains "Current News of Interest to Mothers," "Mrs. Randall's Impossible Baby," a story by H. I. Cleveland: "Songs of Childhood and Motherhood," and numerous other good features. "Religious Training in the Home," and "Home Making" are full of helpful suggestions.—David G. Cook

there isn't any such person."-Credit

That man may seem to you some-That man may seem to you somewhat uneducated, and yet he makes a fine living by his pen." "Why, I would never take him for a writer." "He isn't, he raises pigs."—Balltimore

women suffered pain and finally death, ployed every day, the average earning is really less than the average wages, and prayer in other cases.

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