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second class matter according to the Act of Con-gress March 3rd, 1879. SALT LAKE CITY, MARCH 31, 1903.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The Seventy-third annual conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in the Tabernacle Salt Lake City, commencing on Saturday, April 4, 1903. A general attendance of the offcers and members of the Church. is requested.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND, First Presidency.

RELIGION CLASS OFFICERS' MEETING.

The Presidency of Stakes, Bishopric of wards, Stake and ward superinten dents and members of the Stake Boards of Religion classes together with the officers and instructors are cordially invited to attend a meeting of Religion class workers to be held at Barratt Hall on Saturday, April 4, 1903, at 4:30 o'clock p, m.

> ANTHON H. LUND, RUDGER CLAWSON, JOSEPH M. TANNER, General Superintendency. L. JOHN NUTTALL. General Secretary.

DESERET SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION CONFERENCE.

The semi-annual conference of the Deseret Sunday School Union will be Feld Sunday, April 5, 1903, at 7:30 p. m., in the Tabernacle. The attendance of stake and ward officers and teachers is ing him as the actual murderer. So urgently requested and all the Saints that although there are no positive are invited. A preliminary meeting of stake superintendents and assistants hever over his grave. And the amount of will be held in the assembly room of misery and unhappiness brought over

ance before the club, for as at present inclined he has no intention of either regating that assembly with a display of Utah orator, or offending the fastidious tastes of the cultured clergy of the far-famed smoky city, in the

manner so greatly dreaded. WERE COMPARISONS ODIOUS?

The Worcester Spy of March 27 has a rather spicy editorial on the conduct of a "Josephite" preacher in Cleveland, O. \$9.00 It seems he was very much disgruntled over the presence of Salt Lake Elders in that field, and proceeded to make personal remarks and allusions which exhibited his spleen and did not help

his cause. This is a frequent display on the part of "Reorganized" speakers, whose chief theme is usually made up of attacks on the Church, the headquarters of which are in this city. The Cleveland objector declared that the Utah "Mormons" purposely selected the best looking and best educated young men for work in the Cleveland field. Of course that, if true, is a serious offense. But the Worcester Spy makes the following caustic comments on the assertion:

"Evidently something had grated ter-ribly on the good elder's feelings. In his excitement he forget to be politic. He should have confined himself to dis-cussion of differences of doctrine in-stead of intimating that he was a fittle bit jealous of the fine personal appearance and excellent address of his rivals

The result was that the Utah Elders at the first opportunity modestly as-serted that they were not above the av-trage of their brethren in Utah as to physical and mental attainments. went so far as to say, indeed, that, had an effort really been made to select the best, more handsome and more brilliant men than they would have been sent to preach in Cleveland. It is to be fear-ed that unless the Re-organized Mor-mons can call together men as comely and as bright as the men from Utah, the chances will be somewhat against them in their missionary work, particularly if they continue to call atten-tion to the enemy's good looks and mental ability."

THE BURDICK INQUEST.

The Burdick inquest has closed with the testimony of a bartender to the effect that Pennell after having had some drinks, had boasted that he could kill somebody, the inference being that Burdick was that "somebody," And that is about all that the long inquest developed as regards the murder mystery of Buffalo. There is really no

more light on the case than there was when the inquest commenced, as far as evidence is concerned.

But the inquiry has revealed a state of affairs in some Buffalo social circles, which should furnish a much needed warning to many who have become acquainted with the particulars. It has shown the fearful abyss to which illicit love so often leads its blindfolded victims. Sufficient motive on the part of Pennell was proved, but not a scintil. la of evidence could be adduced stampproofs so far, yet suspicion will always

is now feared. Should Holland enter the German union, France would naturally reach out for Belgium, to preserve the balance of power.

In the far north there is also a great deal of uneasiness just now. A correspondent of the London Chronicle claims that there is a growing distrust on the Scandinavian peninsula of Russian designs in the north. The Swedish army has been increased, and large sums have been appropriated for the navy and for fortifications. The ammunition reserve has been increased from 20,-000,000 to 90,000,000 rounds. Ships that took part in last summer's evolutions have retained all stores on board and battleships are lying with steam up in the harbor of Karlskrona. Such are the signs that are interpreted to mean hat hostilities may possibly at any time break out between Russia and the

candinavian countries. Probably these are only rumors. But they remind one that peace is an unertain quantity in the world. It may be broken almost at any time. It has ong been supposed that the day of amall states is past. If so, all these countries, and others, are on the program for absorption by their powerful neighbors.

MISSIONS IN CHINA.

Gen, A. R. Chaffee, who has been serving in China and the Philippines, does not see much encouragement in the missionary efforts in the Orient. Speaking specially of China, he says he met great many prominent Chinamen in Pekin, but none of "the better class" avinced any desire to embrace "Christianity." The masses, he said, are against it. At present they are more oncerned about expelling foreigners of all professions and freeing themselves from foreign domination than they are about theological questions. And no wonder. One of the most advanced nations has set the example of exclusiveness by closing its gates to Chinamen. Why should not the latter naturally adopt a similar course against foreigners in their country, as far as they are able to carry out that policy? The contact between China and the rest of the world has taught that country to respect the guns and armies of the "Christian" world, rather than its theology. It has found powder more potent than prayers.

The Mississippi is just spreading itself.

It looks as though March were going out half lion and half lamb. In the case of the automobilist it isn't

the pace but the machine that kills.

The Burdick inquest has been reopened and closed again. For repairs?

It would hardly be boasting if Diaz of Mexico were to say: "The State; it is me. Even "Who's Who in America" does

Lake City. If tomorrow were the only day when fools have sway how much better the

not tell who's chief of police in Salt

and so on, of the gentleman's appear- that may be one reason why Germany miral Dewey is president, that the United States fleet should be built up with the idea of being able to cope with any navy in the world, rather than merely being strengthened to the calibre of the Kaiser's navy," says a Washington dispatch to the New York Herald. It is a very bad feeling then. How long will it be before this same feeling develops into the feeling that pervades the British navy, that the British navy must be powerful enough to cope with the combined navies of any two pow-

ers? The logic of the situation is, if the views of the general board of the navy are to prevail, that this country should have a navy superior to the combined navies of the whole world.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

Young Woman's Journal for April has A Talk with Apostle Brigham Young." y Ann M. Cannon. This is illustrated an excellent portrait of the Apostle There is a poem, "For Easter," by Kate Thomas, and a "Peace Offering," by Julia A. Farnsworth-Lund, "Music additional for the state of and the Masters," is discussed Edyth Ellerbeck. Other notable a les are: "Enter Not Into Temptation. Alice K. Smith: "Love that Avails, (continued), Josephine Spencer; "Our Letter from Peru" (Illustrated), Eliza beth Claridge McCune;; "Accidents and Sudden Illness"-IV Wounds, Leah D, Willtsoe; Editorial an ment.-Salt Lake City, Editorial and Guide depart-

The Cosmopolitan for April contains 17 stories and articles and 101 pictures. Chief place is given to an article on "The Americanization of the Canadian Northwest," written by William R. Stewart. A personal sketch of Bjorn-stjørne Bjornson, is entertainingly writen and well illustrated. "To Love or To Be Loved," is a philosophical essay, by Lavinia Hart, Dr. Geo. F. Shears writes on "Medicine." as part of the series, "Making a Choice of a Profes-sion." "Famous Cures and Humbugs of Europe," is by the lats Julian Ralph, "Romances of the World's Great Mines" (Calumet and Hecla), by S. E. Moffett, Field Marshall Viscount Wolseley, K. P.; H. G. Weils, Henry Seton Merriman, Seumas MacManus, and several other writers contribute to this number. -Irvington, N. Y.

Conkey's Home Journal for April ap-pears enlarged with eight new pages It contains five short stories, followed articles on various topics, such as 'How to care for canaries," 'How Woman may become a leader." "En-tertaining in a Simple Way," "Original Designs for Waists." "Practical Lesons in Lace and Embroldery-Making, 'Lessons in Home Dressmaking," 'Dawn of Love Waltz," for plano, 'Plano Playing," "Vocal Training," etc. -Chicago.

The Easter number of the Woman's Home Companion opens with a charm-ing New England story by Sophie Swett, called "Bayberry Tea." Eden Philipotts' serial, "The Farm of the Dagger," grows in interest. Other fic-tion is "The Way of a Woman," by Paul Layrence Dunbar and an Easter Paul Laurence Dunbar, and an Easter story, "Ignis Fatuus," by Frederick M. Smith. The most notable feature shows "How an American Circus Astonished Europe." "A Picturesque Moravian Easter" **is a** description of a quaint custom at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. There is an Easter song, "Hail to the Risen King!" The Nature-Study club tells of early spring birds. There are notes for Easter games and Easter parties, and several inviting pages of spring gowns.-The Crowell Publishing Co., Springfield, Ohio.

In the April number of the Arena, Dr. John M. Berdan has a god paper on "American Liferature and the High



DESERET EVENING NEWS: TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1903.

the Salt Lake Business college, Templeton building, at 5 o'clock p. m., Sunday, April 5. A full attendance is de-

sired.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, GEORGE REYNOLDS. JOSEPH M. TANNER, General Superintendency.

A NEW CHESTERFIELD.

According to the code of Councilman Daveler, one of the "privileges of a gentleman" is to call a fellow official "a liar." Another is, when acting as chairman of a committee on rules to regulate proceedings in a legislative body, to favor and support a rule for the sole purpose of "catching suckers." These are entirely new principles in gentlemanly etiquette, and ought to be patented and branded with the Daveler mark for originality. It is deportment of that kind which elevates the tone of municipal bodies and secures the respect of onlookers. The old Chesterfieldian precepts will now of course be considered obsolete, and to call a man "a liar" when one disagrees with him, will be counted the sure characteristic of a gentleman, "Catching suckers," too will be reckoned among the distinguishing talents of hightoned gentility, and deceiving the unsophisticated and imposing upon the public be viewed as shining examples of gentlemanly privlleges. The wise man of old declared there was "nothing new under the sun." He would have changed his mind-perhaps, if he had lived in the light of the twentleth century, in Salt Lake City and under the glare of the brilliancy of thought and chasteness of speech exhibited by the original member of the City Council from the Fifth municipal ward.

As an illustration of the saying, "Much ado about nothing," commend us to the terrible how-dye-do over the alleged invitation to Senator Reed Smoot, to attend and speak at the Americus club in Pittsburg, on the anniversary of the birth of President Grant. The clergy of the different denominations in that city seem to have worked themselves up into a frenzy over the proposition, and their rabid utterances have bron sent over the when for the delectation of an eager but astounded public. The idea that a Senator hailing from "Mormondom" should be invited to speak on such an occasion, and that prominent members of the club should favor it when mentioned, appears to have shocked their sectarian holiness beyond bounds. Well, they might have saved their

ONLY PITTSBURG SMOKE.

bigoted expletives, and spared their narrow protests, for it appears they were altogether gratultous and unnecessary. Senator Smoot disayows having written any acceptance of the invitation, and as a reason for his silence says he has not received any. The whole story seems to have been what is called in newspaper pariance "a fake," and it was in all probability concocted in newspaper circles.

Our contemporaries can save breath In commenting on the supposed event. and space in repeating the opinions of people on either side, as to the propriemany families on account of the tragievents, is beyond the descriptive power of words.

The inquest over the death of Pennell is yet to follow, and possibly during the taking of testimony some clue may be found upon which justice may act. The case has attracted the attention of the country. It is one that tells with strong emphasis the old truth, "death" is the

wages of sin. SPRING WAR RUMORS.

Reports of conflicts between Turkish roops and Macedonian rebels continue to come from the disturbed regions of southeastern Europe, but for all that, it is now assumed that the rebellion. at one time scheduled to begin on the ist of April, has been indefinitely postponed. This is owing to the fact that the Sultan is for once at least making a show of carrying out the reforms demanded. The Macedonians realize that as long as this is the case, Europe will not stir in their behalf, should hey commence hostilities.

The friends of Turkey accept the promises of the Sultan in good faith and are sanguine of the restoration of peace to the troubled province, but re ports published in French papers indicate that the outrages are continued though not so openly and not on as large a scale as formerly. An account in L'Illustration says that ten days before the arrival of the writer in ; certain village, four Servian peasants were decapitated, and the lungs drawn outside of the body, and in the village itself a child of fifteen years had been shot in the shoulder and the chest During his stay in that place a child was operated upon, whose knee ha/ been cut open by a saber in the hands of an Albanian, for no other cause than the very pleasure of the thing. Observers state positively that they know of 200 assassinations committee in the Uskub region, and this is be

lieved to be only one-fifth of the entire number. The killings are said to be continued, but in sections, and singly, to cause as little noise as possible. Thus it will take longer time to extirpate the protesting element. but the result will be the same. Should this representation of the conditions be correct, the smouldering flames will surely brank out, no matter how many blankets Europe is throwing over the inflammable pile

While peace and quiet are reemingly estored to the Balkan states, inquietade seems to have taken possession of the smaller nations of northern Eu-

ope. . It is claimed that Holland and Beigtum are both in fear of being absorbed, the former by Gormany and the latter by France, What these fears are especially founded on is not clear. Germany, of course, would not object to the addition of Holland to the German states. That would give her a fine frontage on the sea and a fine lot o colonies. The Dutch East Indies and he Dutch possessions in the West In lies and on the continent of South America would secure the empire nave bases and coaling stations where they are most needed. The sympathy of Holland for the Boers would perhaps count against the country, as far as ty, wisdom, good taste, moral effect | English support is concerned, and

world might be

The Duke of Manchester's baggage has been attached for debt. This is ev. idence of his attachment for America. The cake-walk is becoming less and

less fashionable. Why not introduce the cheese-walk? It has strong claims. When will the allies who have been

percing Venezuela learn that the United States guarantees freedom and not debts?

Jerusalem was badly shaken by earthquake Sunday last. It hasn't had such an experience since the days of Peter the Hermit.

"A young man should make up his mind to fall in love with his work," says Russell Sage. He usually compromises by falling in fove with his girl.

The promised Macedonian reforms eem to have slipped a cog and can't be worked. He is a dreamer of dreams who thinks that any reform can come out of Turkey.

Mr. J. P. Morgan, it is said, will build great museum of art and present it o the American people. Let him do it promptly if he is to do it, for "art is ong and time is fleeting."

Speaking of the late N. K. Fairbank, Franklin K. Head, well known to old time Utahans, says: "The greatest and noblest citizen Chicago ever had has passed away." That, from that source, is praise indeed,

Tomorrow it will be unlawful for bl yellsts to ride on the paved sidewalks within the restricted district. And the ordinance governing this matter should strictly enforced.

Germany's naval strength is double hat of the United States. But it is still true that thrice armed is he who has his quarrel just. Fortunately for both countries and all concerned Germany and the United States have no quarrel.

Those Kentucky officers who used ormaldehyde to distodge desperadoes vho had threatened death and destruction to them, probably got a "Hunch" from the Hoosler Schoolmas or who used sulphur on his pupils. He icon smothered them out.

It is an outrage of decency and the coople of the city when one member of the City Council gets up and delfberately calls another a llar. The Council wes it to itself and the citizens to disipline severely such member, if it has the power,

The alarms and exaggerations of Salt Lake papers over the mild cases of smallpox in this city have borne their fruits in other parts of the country. Threats of a quarantine against Utob are made, and people are warned ggainst coming here to conference. What is the use of magnifying an vil, and making the nation believe that this city is either morally or saniarily vile and corrupt? We assure our friends at a distance that there is e danger in attending the General ionference of the Church. Come and velcome!

"There is a strong feeling in the gentrai board of the navy, of which Ad-

This is followed by a brief chools. "Plea for Simpler Living," from the pen of the Hon. Samuel M. Jones, mayor of Toledo. "Hamlet, Prince of Denmark," is the title of an essay by Dr. Axel Emil Gibson. "Democracy or Autocracy-Which?" is considered by Autocracy—Which?" is considered by J. W. Bennett, and B. O. Flower pre-sents "The Message of Mazzini," the second paper of a series on the Italian patriot. An interview with J. M. Pee-bles, A.M., M.D., on "New Zealand— Political, Social and Religious," is quite entertaining, and "The Town That Was Sold," a prophetic satire by P. M. Crosby Magnusson, A.M., Ph.D., is of timely significance. Editor Flow.

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