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Interesting Correspondence.

EVENING NEWS.

Is the article in Saturday evening's NEWS on the subject of the Census of the Churches, we made reference to a letter received by President Taylor from the Census Agent at Washington and his replies thereto.

In order that this matter may be fully understood we have applied to President Taylor for the correspondence which by his courtesy we are able to present to the public.

These are the opening letters; we give all of them verbatim:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CENSUS OFFICE,

Pelham Manor, N. Y., September 23rd, 1880.

To the President of the Church of the Latter-day Saints:

DEAR SER:-Will you kindly send, for use in making returns of Religious Organizations for the Census all the statistics in your possession concerning the Latter-day Saints in the United States .- number and becation of congregations, places of worship, name and addresses of offi-cating persons, number of members belonging to each society, and such other statistical information as you

Flease flad franked envelope for your reply, on which no postage will be charged.

Respectfully yours, H. RANDALL WAITE. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

CENSUS OFFICE, Pelham Manor, N.Y., Oct. 13, 1880.

To the President of the Church of the Latter-day Saints, Utah.

DEAR SIR:-I desire to enlist your kindly assistance in alding me to obtain statistics of the above Church. obtain statistics of the above Church. If there is no printed list of ministers or other Church officers, with post-offices, and congregations, I would greatly thank you to advise me as to the best and most practical way of obtaining such a list. Will you favor me with an early reply, for which please find franked envelope enclosed.

I am yours respectfully, H. RANDALL WAITE. To these President Taylor replied

In this wise:

membership, edifices, sittings, value of property, money raised for church BY TELEGRAPH. gain thanking you for the aid far rendered, and trusting that may receive such further ansist-c at your hands as will enable us make the statistics of your church -----MERICAN THE ALBANT ATTRACTION. I am, very respectfully yours, HENRY RANDALL WAITE

(per Sten.) Special Agent. After the receipt of the foregoing, resident Taylor replied as follows: January 6th, 1881.

Hon. Henry Randall Waits, Special Agent, Census Office, Pelham Manor N. Y.: DEAR SIR.-Your letter of De-ember 28th is received and contents

considered. While I am desirous to put you in possession of all needful informa-tion in regard to our statistics as a Church, it will be seen from our former letter that our organization and general arrangement are entire-ly different from other religious de-nominations, and therefore the schedules which you refer to, with which, or the nature thereof, I am unacquainted, therefore, it would be difficult to furnish them in the same form precisely as that of other denominations whose organization is so different from that of ours. You say in your letter that you "conclude that the Bishops presid-ing over the respectize Wards, cor-respond somewhat with pastors of local churches in other denomina-tions, and that in order to obtain de-tailed statistics of local churches, a

tailed statistics of local churches my schedules should be sent to the Bishops of Wards as above. Am I

is noise of which as above. And i correct?" I would say, not by any means. They occupy altogether another posi-tion from the pastors referred to; they are so very different, it migh-probably be altogether unapplicable. For instance, the business of our Bishops in presiding over a Ward i-to look principally after the tempo-ral interests of the community, to look after the poor, wdows and fatherless, and provide for their ne-cessities. He is also assisted by two counselors, and who, together with himself, form a court, denominated by us a "Bishop's Court," to inves-tigate and try all minor cases that may come up before him in his Ward, whether of a temporal or spir-itual nature. They are also assisted by a corps of officers called Priests, Teachers and Deacons, who aid them in the supervision of the Ward, and of all affairs connected therewith, which you will see at once is quitte another arrangement

Ward, and of all affairs connected therewith, which you will see at once is quite another arrangement than that contemplated by yourself. The offices of Elders, Seventies, High Priests and Apostles, also dif fer very materially from the ar-rangement suggested by you. I would state in relation to the mode of obtaining information in regard to our statistics and matter-of this nature, the Bishops general

of this nature, the Bishops general ly confer and communicate with the

Presidents of Stakes, and when re quired, those Presidents are my au-thority for any information that may be obtained. In fact our Church

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NEW YORK, 1.-Governor Cornell has written a letter declining to be a candidale for the United States Senate. It will be presented to the Senate. It will be presented to the legislature to-day. An agent of the New York Associated Press at Al-bany telegraphs that it is univer-sally conceded that Conkling is en-tirely out of the race and that the gentleman, who had been closeted with the leaders for an hour, had no hesitance in admitting it was but a question of what candidate the party should select to meet with unanim-Fort Buford. The civil auth ties thereupon manifested a purpose to bring him to trial for murder, but the officer commanding at Fort Buford protested, saying such a proceeding would prevent the surrender of Sitting Bull, which

question of what candidate the party should select to meet with unanim-ity among republicans. Cornell and Depew are names the agent hears on every side, but the letter of declina-tion, it is believed, puts an end to that combination. Some are urging forward the names of Cornell and Crowley. The latter was Platt's antagonist at the former election. The *Tribune's* Albany says: The best political judges here, are in-clined to look for the election of two republican senators before the legis-

clined to look for the election of two republican senators before the legis-lature adjourns, and a democrat who was yesterday swimming on blad-ders in a summer sea of glory, finds himself stranded on the hard proba-bility that the next legislature will not be consulted regarding the successors of Conkling and Platt. To-day's ballot will be watched with great interest. If Platt should lose any of the votes he had yesterday, it will be only reasonable to expect the choice of one senator before the end of the week. Judge Robertson said to-day, after the disclosure of Platt's weakness, he should look for the election of one senator on toenza, which may interfere with any the election of one senator on to-

the election of one senator on to-morrow. On the other hand some members expect to-day's ballot will be much like that of yesterday, ex-cept for the probable concentration of the administration men, and do not expect a marked change if there is hould be only one ballot. The prac-tical abolition of the caucus which has taken place, raises a new diffi-culty for the candidates. In the caucus 54 votes would nominate, and thus secure an election. In the bal-lot without a caucus 81 votes must ten years ago, the two men have had ill feeling towards each other all lot without a caucus 81 votes must be had to elect a candidate, and it is easy to understand this will be up hill work for almost any man unless. The murder has the appearance of hill work for almost any man unless there is a genuine stampede. A leader of the administration men said yesterday he thought when any candidate received 65 votes that would settle the matter, and the rest would follow immediately. Ex-Marshal Payne said to a Tri-bune correspondent who asked him if Conkling would withdraw: "Oh, candidate received 65 votes that would settle the matter, and the rest would follow immediately. Ex-Marshal Payne said to a Tri-bune correspondent who asked him if Conkling would withdraw: "Oh, no! his friends could not allow him

to withdraw if he wanted to." ""You don't still think he can be BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

"Yes, I do. Conkling will run, and let me tell you something. Put down this prophecy and remember i'; if Conkling is beaten the republi-An unusual number of detectives watched those who entered the land league office in Dublin to-day.

One Barony in County Meath and three parishes in Donegal, are pro-claimed under the coercion act. an party will have won its last victory in the State or nation. He has won every republican victory in this State for 15 years. He made the It is rumored that Cornell will



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Dr. Henry Randall Waite, Special organization-the Stakes occupying Agent, Consus Office, Petham the place of Counties. Manor, N. Y. In

STR .- In answer to your letter of October 18th, wherein you ask for statistics of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in each statistics of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in each State and Territory, I would respect-fully say that as our members are State and Territory, I would respect-fully say that as our members are continually changing in consequence of the removal from Utah to other States and Territories, and others immigrating from European and other countries and the United States to the Territory, it is some-what difficult to give the pre-cise numbers in each State and Territory, or even in the Territory of Utab. In the manner you indicate of Utah, in the manner you indicate. But so far as we have the data we herewith furnish you from our half yearly report, October 15, 1880, so far as pertains to the Territory of Utah, as follows:

Utah, as follows: Of our Church organization there are three High Priests who compose the First Presidency, then a Quorum or Council of Twelve Apostles, also 48 officers ordained as Patriarchs, all of whom are High Priests. Our ministers are known as High Priests, of whom there are 3,207, Seventies of whom there are 3,207, Seventies 4,158, Elders 10,085, Priests 1,290, teachers 1,459 and Deacons 3,212.

In our further organizations we have twenty stakes, each of which is presided over by a President and two Counselors, who are High Priests, also a High Council consist-ing of twelve High Priests. These Stakes are further divided into wards, each of which is presided over by a Bishop and two Counsel-ors, who also are High Priests; of there there are 159 Bishops and 218 Counselors. There are also a num-ber of villages and in the charge of a a presiding Priest. There are 55,676 members; and children under eight years of age, 34,701. Each of our wards has one or more churches or meeting houses, In our further organizations we

more churches or meeting houses, al-o a number of theStaxes have tab-ernacles and assembly halls, wherein public worship is held.

We have a number of our officers [not heretofore considered] engaged in the ministry throughout the dif-ferent States and Territories, also in Great Britain, Scandinavia, Swit-zerland, Germany and other Euro-pean nations, New Zealand, Austra-lia and some of the Pacific Islands, where churches are organized of where churches are organized, of which the numbers of the members would be difficult, without much labor, to give-oven an approxi-

Trusting that the foregoing will be satisfactory, I subscribe myself,

Yours respectfully, JOHN TAYLOR.

This elicited the annexed res DODSE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Pelham Manor, Westchester Co.,

N.Y., December 28th, 1880. Hon. John Taylor, President Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-da Saints, Salt Lake Oity, Utah:

DEAR SIR:-Your courteous favor of December 21st, in reply to ours of October 18th, is at hand, and you have my sincere thanks for the pains which you have taken in res ponding to my inquiries. I have carefully emmined the statistics with which you have furnished me, and, if I understand the arrange-ments of your organization, they will answer my purpose. From

that might arise from improper reports and incorrect entries on mis-understood blanks, and on schedules

The Times, speaking of the result of the first senatorial ballot, says: this may be regarded as an official demonstration of the complete failspeaking of "Church build ings," they are put up and means provided for their erection according to circumstances: in some instances ure of his present canvass. It shows also a probability of the close of his career in American politics. A more sudden and ruinous collapse of powing (which is fa voluntary contribution by the community, and partly by contributions and dona tions. We have expended a very large amount for buildings for public worship, the details of which would be very difficult to obtain, and the more so from the complex nature of the appropriations made for that purpose. er of apparently so great as was that of Conkling even a month ago has never been seen in our political nistory. It is obviously the work of public opinion. For a long time he has suffered from hopeless confusion as to the distinction between republicanism and

Conklingism, and finally he has made the mistake, fatal for him, though fortunate for the party, of giving the republicans of the State at. opportunity to clearly express their preference as between the two. The result must have astonished him. Up to the last mamont he When you speak about "sittings," our churches are all tree, and our ministers labor and officiate in the ministry as the Apostles did former ly-without purse or scrip.

I was in hopes that the state-ments which I had given would be Up to the last moment he him. seems not to have anticipated the blow that was impending, but it has come at last in a form which must penetrate even the triple brass of his overweaning concert. He can hardly fail to realize now, even he will not acknowledge it, that his political career is closed.

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and alone."

formation. Very respectfully yours, JOHN TAYLOR.

DEAR SIR.—I write to inform you that, by advice of the Superinten-dent of Census, I have concluded to place the entire matter of the collec-

place the entire matter of the collec-tion of statistics in my Department, so far as the Territory of Utah is concerned, in the hands of the late Supervisor of Census, Hon. Arthur L. Thomas, Secretary of the Terri-tory. This has been done, not be-cause of any disatisfaction with the kind services which you have ren-dered (for which I wish in extend to crate. dered (for which I wish to extend to you my most hearty thanks) but be-cause Gen. Thomas is already relat-ed to the Census Office, and has abundant time and excellent facili-ties for all of the work required in shape to-day. It is said Gladstone, yielding to the commands of his doctors, will retire to the House of Lords at the end of the session; that

Utab; for the above reasons arrange-ments have been made with him for the rendering of aid in several deartments of the Census Office. I have accordingly turned over to tim your letters and the statistics unished by you, informing block

tished by you, informing him of cordial proffers of assistance. again for the aid ndered. I have the honor to be,

Yours respectfully, HENRY RANDALWW Special Age It will be seen from this corres-

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information, but on the contrary he

cessor in the Pre og the present century. was desirous of preventing errors

hilders will become Chance

Childers will become Chancellor of the Exchequer; Sir William Har-court, now Home Secretary, Secre-tary of War; that Sir Henry James, Attorneyy-General, will succeed as home secretary; that Sir A. Her-shall, Solicitor General, will be promoted to the Attorney General-ship, and that Charles Russell, manufactor Dundalk, will take the

nember for Dundalk, wil take the folicitor Generalship. There is nother rumer to the effect that ioschen will take the Chancellor

last two Presidents single handed write declining to permit his name to be used a a candidate in the senatorial contest.

> The Anchor line steamer Mace donia, ashore near the Mull of Kin-ter light-house, has been abandoned, being full of water.

In the race for the Stanley stakes two year olds, at Epsom, was won by Kerdesseay, Abel second. Nine ran including Keene's colt, Gen. LAWN MOWERS Scott.

A monster petition in favor of the late New York senators arrived from Auburn, Woodin's district. It is eighty feet long and contains over 20,000 signatures.

A number of the county constabu-lary officers and magistrates, inter-viewed Chief Secretary Forster to day, when the state of their districts was fully discussed.

At a meeting of the land league to-day, Sexton said he had visited Dillon and regretted to find his deli-cate condition was seriously affected by his incarceration.

John Thompson, at Gainesville, Tex., shot and killed deputy sheriffs Charles and Sam Meredith, and L. Kulht, who attempted his arrest upon a warrant for carrying conceal

The Tribune says: There are only two solutions of the present crisis. First, the adjournment of the legis-lature by a Conkling-Tilden coala-tion, and second, the election of two ed weapons. Thompson escaped into the territory. At a meeting of the conservatives tion, and second, the election of two republicans by republican voters. It does not seem credible that any re-publican should hesitate a moment as to his duty in these circum-stances. There are two vacancies in the Senate of the United States. The republican State of New York has the right and power to fill them with republicans. If by the treschery of 26 members of the legislature those seats are sold or

with republicans. If by the treschery of 26 members of the legislature those seats are sold or given away, the republican majority in the Senate is lost for years to come. No sufficient excuse can in the Senate is lost for years to come. No sufficient excuse can ever be made for the men who shared in the act. Two republicans can be elected to-day. It requires but [81 votes, and we have 106. There will be no future for any as-but provide the sufferers last Mon-day afternoon, very weak, having had nothing to eat but fresh meat ever be made for the men who shared in the act. Two republicans can be elected to-day. It requires but [81 votes, and we have 106. There will be no future for any as-semblyman or senator who to-day for any reason sells out to the demo-



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ship of the Exchequer, and Childen the Home Secretaryship, and it is also said that Gladstone will assume the title of Earl of Oxford. When the rumor of his elevation was cur-rent some time ago it was said that he would take the tille of Earl of Liverpool and that he objected on the ground that it had been borne by a predecessor in the Premiershin MR. WILLIAMS & SUT

The Second Ballot.

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