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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Officers and Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints:

Dear Brethren and Sisters-Agreeable with the decision of the Council of Apostles at their regular meeting Thurs. day, Oct. 17, we hereby call a general conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to be held in the Tabernacle; Salt Lake City, on Sunday, the 16th of November, next, at 10 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of voting upon the Church authorities. JOSEPH F. SMITH.

JOHN R. WINDER. ANTHON H. LUND. First Presidency.

TO THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS.

Readers of the "News" are reminded that the special general conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, called for the purpose of presenting before the body of the Church the general authorities, as appointed and set apart by the presiding councils, is set for Sunday next, November 10th, to be held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, at 10 o'clock a. m. This will be an important gathering of the Saints, and it is desirable that the various Stakes of Zion shall be duly represented on that occasion. It is not expected, neither is it essential, that the members of the Church shall leave their homes at great distances to assemble here so soon after the regular semi-annual conference. But some duly accredited person should be present from each Stake, if possible, so that the principle of common consent. which is one of the doctrines of the Church, shall be carried out, and the head and the body may be in complete accord and harmony. Instructions will coubtless be imparted which will be of interest to all who assemble, and be of benefit to the Church in the future. A general invitation is extended, and the tained for his country the best condi-Tabernacle should be filled next Sunday

a the city of Xenia and the State of thio, the mayor and chief of police had no legal authority to require them to leave the town and the community. They might perhaps have denied the request for the privilege of preaching

in the public streets, but they violated the laws and institutions of our common country and their oath of office, in thus assuming to banish praceable citizens and refusing them that protecion from popular lawlessness to which they were entitled. The covert threat

included in the mayor's arbitrary edict is simply contemptible, and shows that he is utterly unfit to hold any public office or act as a servant or representative of the sovareign people.

The religious belief of every human teing is free and protected by constlrutional safeguards. A "Mormon" is entitled to as many rights and liberties as an Episcopalian, or Methodist, or Catholic, or skeptic. The bigoted presumption and arrogance of the functionary who thus prostituted the

ittle brief authority placed in his power are despicable, and he will he held esponsible before the high court of seaven for the consequence of his unawful and un-Christian act. If the seople of Xenia are not warned of that

which is to come, and given an opporunity of receiving the divine message which the Elders had to deliver, the failure will be charged to his account, and he will have to bear the penalty which shall be imposed by Eternal Justice.

LI HUNG CHANG.

With the death of Li Hung Chang one of the great statesmen of the world is removed from this sphere of action. His name has in late years peen as familiar throughout the civitized nations, as that of Gladstone, or Bismarck, or Caprivi. And that is remarkable, considering how little is actually known about the vast empire n eastern Asla-But although his name has been a jousehold word, authentic data about his life and work are not abundant.

He is raid to have been born in the province of Naganhwuy, either in the year 1823, or 1819. As a student he showed unusual talent, and was accordingly given important positions in the government service. During the Taiping rebellion he served with honor, rose rapidly in rank, and ended the campaign victoriously.

the province of Chi Li and secretary of state, in 1870, he had great influence on the policy of the empire. What China has of western civilization is principally due to him. The introduction of the telegraph, the building of dockyards, and the organization of the are his work. In the war with Japan the utter insufficiency of the military reforms were demonstrated, but the lesson had little effect on the government and the people. Li Hung Chang negotiated the peace terms and ob-

the laws and regulations duly enacted and appreciated. It should be said, however, that honesty in the discussion Trax of public questions ought to be the first requisite of journalism. It is, as far as the "News" is concerned, no matter

> what the question may be. But the correspondent takes exception to our statement that Socialism has failed when put to the practical test. He points to the United States postal system, municipal ownership of certain public utilities, and the management of railroads, etc., by foreign governments as proofs of the grand success of Socialism, whenever practically applied.

The point does not appear well taken. It claims, practically, that all communal and national enterprises are Socialism. If a city buys an electric plant, it is Socialism. If a government builds a railroad, it is Socialistic. If this is correct, all governments are Socialistic

as far as they handle common interests, and the Russian and mon interests and the Russian and Turkish governments are particularly Socialistic, because they are nothing if not "paternal." But that conclusion is obviously absurd.

Of course "Socialism" may be understood to mean almost any effort of cooperation, either through the regularly appointed governments or through asso. ciations, and there are a great many kinds of Socialism, some of which have proved a grand success. But that is not the accepted and commonly understood meaning of the term. It is very difficult to define, but in a moderate significance it stands for the doctrine that it is the duty of the state to level in-

equalities of wealth, by providing

means of subsistence for all, according to the ability of individuals and the needs of the community. This Socialism, we believe has been tried in numerous societies, or colonies, and failed. The path of history, since the days of Owen and Saint Simon is strewn with the ruins of such colonies. Our own country has several such wrecks, and it is not difficult to understand the reasons for the disasters. Soclal conditions cannot be shanged in a day, at the bidding of re'ormers. The chain of continuity cannot be broken

with impunity If it is true that Social.sm is simply putting into practical use the precepts and principles of Christianity." then that religion must first be established in the hearts of men and women, before Socialistic experiments can succeed. And that is exactly the point made by the "News." But Socialism

Since his appointment as viceroy of will then become "Christian Socialism." a species vastly different from that which most of its leaders have advocated. "Christian Socialism" may be said to be but another term for the millennium, or the "kingdom of heaven." From another point of view it may even be said to stand for the Church of our army and navy on European principles | Lord. A YAQUI PROCLAMATION. There seems to be another Indian rising in Mexico. The Yaquis are reported to have resumed their warlike

plification of the old story of old dog nd the company in which he was

ists.

The Schley inquiry has reached the stage where strong men weep tendeand the assembled multitude go wild with enthusiasm.

At present the soldiers in the Philippines are taking extraordinary precautions. Soon the public may expect to learn that they are taking the field, and then the rebels.

A rose under any other name would smell as sweet, even that Mrs. Rose, arrested in St. Louis with some forty thousand dollars of Helena National bank notes in her possession.

In the Boston Transcript of Saturday last Joseph Edgar Chamberlain has an article entitled, "The Psychology of Tammany." He should follow it with a second paper on "The Autopsy of Tammany."

An exchange says an effort will be made in Washington the coming winter to abolish "pull" in the army. Neither "pull" nor "kicking" can be abolished in the army so long as the army mule ex-

The London and Berlin press are greatly elated over the defeat of Tammany in New York. But the combined forces that accomplished that defeat could make no more fatal mistake than **"SPORT** to assume that, because defeated, Tammany is discouraged and disorganized.

The French naval demonstration against Turkey is beginning to interest Europe. In Vienna it is whispered that St. Petersburg does not approve, while in London fear is expressed that grave complications may arise. It is upon such disapprovals and fears that the sultan has always relied to extricate himself out of apparently serious difficulties. Will they avail him in the present Instance?

In one or two districts in Brooklyn Tuesday the voting machine was used with great success. Ballots were cast expeditiously than under any more other system, in some cases in three seconds, while the result of the voting was known within two minutes after the poils closed. There could be no stronger evidence in favor of its use than this. It will be the voting method of the future. And may that future be not far distant!

Berlin papers continue to criticise the action of the German troops in China, particularly for looting the celebrated astronomical instruments. Defenders of this action point to the case of Napoleon and the bronze horses of But then the allies restored Venice. the horses. Of course in the first instance Venice took them from the infidel. This latter is the case that the defenders of the looting of the astronomical instruments should cite as a precedent, and not the case of Napoleon.

A SPANISH-AMERICAN POINT OF VIEW.

Montevideo Tribuna Popular.

ly annoying. A detachment of the Ninth infantry was caught napping there-some weeks ago. Still later, a dozen men of the same regiment were killed. men of the same regiment were killed. But that was in open fight and there was nothing to be said in criticism. Up-on the same day as it happened more than as many men were crushed to death here in NewYork, innocently la-boring on the new tunnel. And the la-bories had not "shipped" to be killed, whereas the soldlers had. These are merely the chances of war. But Ad-miral Rodger's report that he has put miral Rodger's report that he has put miral Rodger's report that he has put 300 men ashote to assist the army indi-cates that Samar is in active eruption, and also that the military authorities have underestimated the strength of consolition in the startight island nave underestimated the strength of opposition in that particular island. For that understimate no blame can reasonably be attached to anybody in particular. Our military success in Luzon has been satisfactorily com plete. Our civil success there is at least promising, and we have the grati-ty on balls.

fying belief that it is in very hands. But the explosions in S good But the explosions in Samai admonish us that we cannot safely reduce our military strength in the Phil-CALT LAKE THEATRE, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8, 9. Geo. D. Pyper, Manager. Tonight Only. Walter Sanford Presents the Gigantic Spectacular Drama,

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norning, with people anxious to take part in the proceedings, and to receive the teachings that will be given and partake of the spirit and influence of the conference.

A LAWLESS OFFICIAL.

We have received a letter from Elders David A. Hand and Oscar Gurtsen, missionaries laboring in Ohio. They are at present at Columbus, but were assigned a few weeks ago to Greene county, having completed a tour of Warren county. They relate a singular experience which they had at Xenla, the county seat of Greene Co. On the first day of the present month, about 1 o'clock, they called on the mayor of the city and asked permission to hold a few outdoor meeteings. They were told to appear again at 5 p. m., and during the interim a consultation would be held with the city and county officials. At the appointed time they arrived at the city hall and were invited into the mayor's office, where they met with him and the chief of police. They were asked: "Where do you intend to go after leaving here?" The Elders expressed their intention of remaining in Greene county until it was thoroughly canvassed. The mayor then said "We have considered this matter over, and orders are for you men to leave this town and community and that too tonight. If you stay longer you will surely have to suffer the consequences." Then turning to the chief of police, he remarked: "You have heard the orders, now see they are carried out!"

The brethren found that they could not reason with that functionary, as he was not disposed to listen to anything they had to say. They, therefore, complied with the "orders" and left Xenia at 10:30 that evening and went to Columbus. The Xenia Daily Gazette published a flaring notice of the appearance of the Elders in that town, describing them as "two strong, pleasant faced young men." and stated that they were "working in the interest of the Mormon Church, leaving at each house a very cunningly prepared pamphlet." The Gazette proceeded to repeat the usual misrepresentations of the "Mormon" faith, announcing that it considered such doctrines "the rankest heresy," and bidding the people to "beware of these fellows."

The Ohio Conference, however, is reported to be in excellent condition, and during the past year a hundred baptisms have been attended to.

The Elders doubtless acted with proper prudence in complying with the arbitrary command of the city authori. ties in Xenia. "Discretion," as the adage says, "is often the better part of valor," and their course was in accord with the instructions given by the authorities of the Church, and with both ancient and modern scripture. Jesus advised his disciples; "If they persecute you in one city, flee ye unto another." But it is proper to state that the mayor of that city greatly exceeded his authority and acted more like some Russian autocrat, or barbarian chief, than a public officer in this reublic, chosen to see that the laws are executed, and that American citizens are protected in their rights within the limits of his jurisdiction.

tions possible under the circumstane At the time he came very near being killed by an assassin, but his strong constitution withstood the assault. At the coronation of the Czar of Russia, Li Hung Chang represented the Chi-

nese government, and he took advantage of the opportunity and made a tour around the world, including the United States in his journey. The late statesman was well formed, and made good use of his knowledge. He was liberal in his views and skilful as a diplomat. He is thought to have been specially friendly to Russia, and the Russian Chinese olicy. If this presumption is correct his death may force the St. Petersburg overnment to come out in the open and show its real intentions and nursoses more plainly than it has done

THE RECALL OF WU.

hitherto.

If the Ch nese minister to this country. Wu Ting Fang, is recalled, the fact vill be very much regretted in diplo atic circles. And the loss of his serdoes whill be felt by China, for that ountry has no known statesman that au take his place. Chinese officials cenerally have subrame contempt for in government not only to avenge the levidents) civilization. They look upon ins crude and vulgar, and they refuse o endeaver to understand it, and their ontinent. cefulness is consequently at a mini-

Mr. Wu is different. When he came to this country, he at once entered into the spirit of the new surroundings.

He gave elaborate entertainments and onde friends. He asked questions and ought enlightenment. And when he had learned to see things from an Ocidental point of view, he drew com arisons. He appeared on the public latform and in the magazines, and atempted to give the public a correct dea of Chinese civilization. And he id this with success, because he nevr defended his country from an arrogatit standpoint. He acknowledged the lefects, and pointed out their causes. When the trouble broke out that drew the armies of the world to China's shores, he exercised an influence for olerance and calmness, and through his efforts public opinion was largely swayed in the direction of the policy. adopted by our government. In this them and instigated the issuance of way he rendered his country a more valuable service than his government, robably, is able to appreciate.

Mr. Wu is, of course, not perfect, He gress? That would be a plausible exhas at times been charged with indiscretions, but he has succeeded in gain ing more popularity in this country. States certainly has no design upon any than any of his predecessors, and his country, but there is an impression advice on Chinese affairs has great south of us, that it has, and it does not weight. The loss of his recall will fall take much to strengthen this suspicion. on China, and it will be felt all the We do not believe the proclamation will heavier now, when the empire is called have any effect upon the Mexican govupon to mourn the death of its "great, ernment, but it may cause the deleold man," who has for so long time, in gates from other republics now reprea way, tried to steady the ship of state sented at the gathering in the city of " its tortuous course from ancient bar. Mexico, to change their minds with reharism to modern civilization. gard to pan-Americanism. It may thus sow the seeds of discord where harmony

SOCIALISM AGAIN.

Elsewhere in today's imprint of the News" will be found a communication m "Socialism and Anarchism." The author pays us a high compliment on account of an editorial on this subject that appeared in these columns the oth-While the Eiders honored and obeyed | er day. The courtesy is acknowledged |

to meet their first movements. The rising is said to be caused by the fact that the Mexican government intends to remove them from their homes to some other part of the country and take possesion of their valley. A notable feature of this rising is

activity unexpectedly, and at a time

when the government was not prepared

the organization of a "junta" and the issue of a proclamation, setting forth the alleged purpose of their struggle. As quoted by a San Francisco paper, this proclamation declares in part:

"The tendency of civilization is to nations of continents, since it is make as easy to govern a continent in these days as a cotry ty one hundred years Hence it is unjust that the peo-0.20. ple of North America should support three governments when one is suffilent. Two of the three governments f North America exist under false predent. tenses. Their constitutions, modeled after that of the United States, are modeled mockeries used as cloaks to cover their

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tyranny. They support themselves by oppressing the weak and submissive, by do the same. Without taking much account of it as yet, they are in the prepdestroying the brave and unyielding, and by living on the charity of the aratory phase of imperialism. The moral of all this is that life is a battle of wild beasts, and mankind great republic from which they draw their revenues. It is the duty of the United States to see that these mendimust become like wild beasts. cant and criminal governments cease to exist, since they have proven that Rio Janeiro Notizia. The South American peoples are not only provided with the labor and capithey do not deserve to exist, and it is the purpose of the Yaqui people to as-sist the United States in that duty. The tal necessary for their development, but these countries also have sufficient-Yaquis seek the destruction of the Mex-

ly proved to the world at large that they are capable of independent selfexpulsion of the Yaqui women and to prevent the extermination of the Yaqui government, and are equal to the set-tlement of their differences without race, but for the benefit of the entire foreign dictation. The delegates au-thorized to represent the Latin-Ameri-There is certain allurements held out can nations are fully capable of judging and deciding upon such questions as may be submitted to them in the Pan-American Congress. a favor of this program. The document

Madrid Epoca.

e commerce of the silver-using popu-Today, as in 1889, the idea which inations by the silver-producing conti-tion the possible. Therefore the annexaspired President Garfield to unite all the new nations of the whole continent ion of Mexico will bring about the trilure them. In the name of fraterumphant free coinage of silver as well nal and humanitarian sentiments, to as the control of Panama by the United States, thus placing in the hands of the North American people the comconsider the principles of arbitration as the means of preventing war be tween sister republics, and thus to im-prove among themselves family relaerce of the world. In return for the diversal liberation that the Yaqui will result in a complete fall-The first failure has been 'asvolution inaugurates, all the Yaquis ure. crect is participation in the ensuing vilization, and, recognizing the per-ment independence of Sonora as usecribed to the tendency associated with generous proposition to adopt the y of Mr. Blaine, the American secthis policy of Mr. Blaine, the American sec-retary of state, which was to include in ss, they have combined with their watch erv, 'Yaquis must survive,' the motto, 'The continent one nation.'" liberations all classes of indusegislation, customs house dues, eneral commercial undertakings It is hardly probable that the Yagul and This policy was really a threat Indians have without suggestion from anguages into a Pan-languages into a Panree the whole of the Americas of outside sources originated this excus for a revolution. Is it possible that American kind of American Zol-This left to the Latinsome foreign agent has appeared among American republics nothing more than to subordinate their entire independence such a document, in order to create prejudices against the United States imperious protectorate of the States, which arrogates to itand break up the pan-American conself the right of making void their and, finally, absorbing personality, planation of the appearance of such a completely. document at this time. The United

THE PHILIPPINE TROUBLE.

Albany Press-Knickerbocker. The fact that nearly all of the naval now concentrated on the Samai and that marines and soldiers ng rushed to the Island, is rath er di ing to the people in this part world who were under the imover. Although an effort will patrol Samar with a force sufconfine the insurgents to the the prospects are that many se ngagements will be fought before lives will again make a pretense ng willing to accept American

New York Times.

far as we can judge, the manion of dislike to Americans in the of Samar, an island particularly testation island sated, is strictly endemic. This not prevent it from being extreme-Mr. Shepard's defeat. is a new exem- does





