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## GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The seventy-sixth annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will convene at the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, April 6, 1906 at 10 a. m. A full attendance of officers and members is requested.

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

## SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

The annual conference of the Deseret Sunday School union will convene at the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Sunday, April 8, 1906, at 7 o'clock p. m. Officers and workers are requested to be present and all the Saints are invited. The subject of "Parents' Classes" will be considered.

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NON."MORMON" WITNESSES.

"Please answer the following inquiry:

"Where a case is pending in a Bish-

The foregoing letter has been recely-

Bishop of the ward where the writer

resides or from the Presidency of the

Stake. It is not a disputed question in

the Church, but a matter of discipline

settled years and years ago. Persons

who are not members of the Church

cannot be called in as witnesses in a

case between members or involving fel-

must be obvious to any intelligent Lat-

UNDER OATH TO KILL.

AMERICA AND ROME.

years ago, the Roman emperor ex-

erted gigantic efforts at overcoming

the baleful power of enormous

wealth, and to stem the tide of the

forces that weaken nations. He re-

minds his readers of the fact that ill-

gotten wealth, immorality, and in-

dolence had undermined the very

foundations of the nation, and that the

moralist had had to give way to the

sensualist. The emperor, who endeav-

ored to curtall the usurged power of

wealth, found himself everywhere con-

fronted by that same almighty influ-

say on the subject.

Editor Deseret News:

give evidence?

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

## THE LATEST SENSATION.

The fight against Senator Reed Smoot has reached a point at which all decent people in this country should rise in revolt. Unable to find anything that under the Constitution of our country and the rules of the Senate would justify the demand of his enemies for his expulsion, they have fallen back on direct lying through the press, to prejudice the public and keep up the senseless agitation which was gradually dying out.

In order to accomplish this the services of a notorious, puerile Presbyterian preacher in Cache county, have been brought into requisition. He has long been known as a petty "Paul Pry" nosing into people's private affairs, writing scandal and sending garbled

A most curious story was wired the other day from New Orleans to the reports of public meetings to a Salt Lake paper, that figures as a recepticle for slanderous gossip, fake stories, salacious inventions and personal libels, in which his infamous fabrications and hideous exaggerations have kill the President. found a fitting place. He is wanted in Logan to face the charge of impersonating a county official, in efforts to dig up dirty details of an alleged case of improper conduct on the part of a foolish foreigner, which had been fully investigated and found to consist of using suggestive language to young girls, which he had frankly confessed and for which he had made all possible reparation. No possible good could come from its exposure. The Reverend (?) scanclares that she is bound by an oath addal-monger wrote flaming accounts of ministered by Socialists, and says that his pretended efforts in behalf of "purlthere are two men in New Orleans who ty" to the sheet of which he was the are watching her and who will follow regular correspondent, and they apher until she has finally carried out the peared in the usual sensational style, plot. Whether these statements are the stirring up unsavory odors, and all to outgrowth of an unbalanced brain, or no purpose except to make a sickenwhether the woman has disclosed a seing scent, and to gratify the mallee of cret of national importance, is the "Mormon"-haters. question While he was sought for to face this We can hardly believe that any charge ,he was off to the East to carry Socialistic organization, has made any out the work assigned. The New York such decree. The Socialists are not, World published his libellous story known to favor revolutionary means of about Senator Smoot and it was duly reform, as some anarchists do. . It is wired across the country to produce more probable that the woman is the the desired effect. But it appears to victim of a diseased imagination, Howhave carried with if the evidence of ever, the investigation will, no doubt, its falsehood and the clumsiness of the clear the matter up. falsifier. Alleging that Reed Smoot The incident is a reminder of the fact married as a placal wife a mythical that some strong revolutionary talk person named as "Rose Hamilton in has been indulged in lately, and that Omaha Dec. 23, 1993." the Reverend (7) such talk, whether serious or not, is romancer explained that this marriage likely to breed mischlef. It is always was the basis of that notorious Leilich dangerous to play with firebrands, paraffidavit which, as is well known, fell ticularly in the vicinity of inflammable to the ground and covered the name of material. One can never tell what a that religious minister with deserved spark thrown in this direction, or that, infamy. But the false affidavit was may do. Free speech cannot mean the made on February 25, 1903, ten months right to inflame weak persons to combefore the time given by the latest mit assassination, but that is undoubtlibeller as the date of the alleged maredly the effect of some of the revoluriage. There are other discrepancies tionary oratory recently displayed in in the particulars turnished to the various parts of the country. World of a similar character, and which stamp the whole story as a villalnous fabrication of the kind which the auther, "Rev." N. E. Clemenson, frequently supplied to the auti-"Mormon' yellow journal in this city. The Salt Lake Herald, which is opposed to Reed Smoot on political grounds, published the gist of the storygenerally profitable, to try to see ourto the world as it came by a Washing ton special, but it has also printed the refutation sent over the wires, and we would like it to be. The Italian, M. given it prominence. The Herold fur-Ferrero, compares the United States ther expresses its disbelief in the story to Rome at the time of Caesar Augusand its opinion of the author in an editus, and finds some striking points of torial from which we take the annexed similarity, not altogether encouraging. paragraphs. The author shows how, about 2,000

ence, and this, M. Ferrero believes, is the managers of the Smoot prosecution themselves denounced Leilich as a toolvery nearly the predicament of Presiish medder, and declared their con-viction that whatever other charge might be made, they did not believe there was any foundation for suspectdent Roosevelt today. 'The Roman emperor, the author says, denounced celibacy, "race sulmight be made, they aid not be suspect-ing the senator of being a polygamist. "In view of the fact that the prose-cution has had three years in which to secure evidence and presented none on this point, it looks as though Mr. Clemenson were attempting to preju-lize the case before the senate by try-ing it in the press after the prosecu-tion had closed its evidence." cide." and divorces, and attacked manfully every vice and the selfishness that characterize a civilization, sinking down under the burden of boundless wealth. The American President has preached righteousness to this generation, as did Augustus in his time, and, as the noble Roman, he has endeav-The Herald expresses its views as to

ored to make a "simple life" honorthe Senator's political course, which is foreign to the question, but frankly able and fashionable. In this strain the Italian author con-

tinues his comparisons. He can see "His personal life has been clean, his over the face of the great American refamily relations of a sort to protect him and his from attack; to bring in a story of this sort after all the tospublic, slowly advancing, shadows simiar to these that gathered over Rome, nony has closed, is about as coward-as bushwhacking, and if the prosebefore its glory departed. And he but voices the fears and apprehension of utors before the senate committee are mart they will disavow responsibility or it at the first public opportunity. many thoughtful observers of events, in this country. Either that, or else call Clemenson to the stand long enough to show what his purpose is in springing it now."

Just now class-distinction is becoming marked to an alarming degree. Not on-We believe that these expressions ly is the gulf between rich and poor from a political opponent of the Senwidening, until it threatens to become ator will be endorsed by every fairas impassable as the boundaries beminded citizen of this State, regardless tween castes in India; but laborers and of religion or politics. If there is any employers seem also to be marshalling actual ground for his expulsion, let that their respective forces as if preparing be the basis of the fight against him, for a mortal combat. What is to be the But that there is not, and that the

outcome? ground chosen has been simply theories It is absolutely certain that all wrong that are weak and diaphanous, and is not on one side. The exposures of calsehoods that will not bear the light rottenness in business methods and in of evidence and the scrutiny of keen politics, that have been made recently; analysis, is made clear by the course the bold violations of law by which the pursued to injure him in the public common people have been made to mind, and to intensify the prejudice stand and deliver to the coffers of which is expected to take the place of trusts; the ruthless strangling of comsound reason, established precedent and petition, and similar crimes of which constitutional provisions, in the Senate one side is guilty, are different only of the United States. That the scheme in variety, not in kind, from the acts shall bring its own defeat, and that the of violence and revolutionary proceedlibellers shall be brought to justice, ings with which the other side must be hould be the desire of every promoter charged. It is equally certain that the of truth, justice and the honor of the only salvation from the threatened peril of being overtaken by the fate of Rome,

## is in a return to the principles upon which the Republic was founded.

New York furnishes more of the spice of life than the Spice islands do.

op's court, and the accuser and accused are both members of the Church, and The town certainly has been between wind and water for a goodly number where the evidence to establish or rewhere the evidence to establish of recessity fute the accusation must of necessity come from one or more persons who are not members of the Church, is it in secondance with the rule of the Church that such non-members be allowed to give evidence? B, J." of hours. It is pleasant to receive from one's congressman a bouquet of beautiful

flowers-in the seed. There is scarcely a meeting of Yale d from a settlement in the south. Like graduates that does not name Secremany others that we receive, the proper tary Taft for President. After all, inswer could be obtained from the

what's in a name? If the weather is not all you could wish, remember that the April showers, the May flowers and the June brides are not very far off.

It will be a great relief to the American people when the Castellanes lowship, on trial before a Bishop's court settle up their divorce business and setor High Council. The reasons for this tle down. ter-day Saint. That is all we have to

There is no denving that Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone were taken to the Canyon county jail through a curious set of circumstances.

If the conduit is so badly constructed, as alleged, what kind of policy is it to permit the contractor who built

we retrograding? Is our art turning backward? It is absolutely certain that modern composers are more fearless in violating so-called rules than were their masters.

# THE COST OF INVADING CHINA.

Florida, Times-Union. Mr. Root says we must get ready to punish China; that means an invasion and these are exceptionally expensive to invader as well as invaded. Euro-

to invader as well as invaded. Euro-pean experts figure that it cost Eng-land a cool million a day while she was pushing Oom Paul out of her path. Russia's attempt to extend her empire to the China sea brought on a lost." war which cost her a billion-the re-pression of that ambition cost Japan three-quarters of a billion. Our war with Spain was a walkover, but we are still paying the price in corruption, destill paying the price in corruption, de-bauchery of the public service and de-moralization of the people. Japan won in Manchuria, but while her men were fighting her little farms were untilled and now her children are starving—a price that dwarfs the accumulated ex-panditures of rold and even life. For fore the cell. penditures of gold and even life. For the child-ill-reared or badly trained in mind and morals costs more than the

maintenance of the soldier-disease and starvation follow wars and demor-alization is the child of these.

## SPEAKING OF THE INDIANS. San Francisco Call.

On the fourth day of this month the independence of the North American Indians as tribal organizations passed away. We are no longer to make treaties and agreements with them as though they were sowereign foreign powers, but they are now subject to all powers, but they are now subject to all the privileges and penalties of the Unit-ed States law. It is a historical event of considerable importance, this final merging of the most picturesque of all savage mean interview. merging of the most picturesque of all savage races into complete American citizenship, and ethnologists will watch the results with much interest. Will this remarkable race die out in the open and unrestricted competition with the whites, or will the stimulus of living freely under the same conditions of sur-vival as the whites so develop their energies and capacities that they will become among the racial factors that go to make up our conglomerate civili zation

## Manchester Union.

By virtue of an agreement which went into effect March 4, the tribal organization of the Cherokee, Choctaw, Creek, Chickasaw and Seminole Indi-ans was dissolved, and the members of those five tribes became so many factors in American citizenship. dissolution of the tribes was the This mination of apparently chimerical plans laid as far back as 1893, when a law was passed with this end in view, and Henry L. Dawes, now dead, with the commis-sion created under the new law, started out to induce the Choctaws, the Creeks, out to induce the Choctaws, the Creeks, and their neighbors to allot their lands to their members as individuals, to abolish their tribal government, and to merge themselves in the mass of the country's clizenship. The task was Herculean, but it has been accomp-lished, and another paragraph has been added to the closing chapter of the story of the American Indian. story of the American Indian,

C. M. Harvey in the March Atlantic. Like the Moorish king Abu Abdallah, looking mournfully backward at his lost Granada, Geronimo, from Fort Sill, gazes westward across the prairies and hills to the Arizona of his great days which he will not see again. Up at Pine which he will not see again. Up at Pine Ridge agency, the Sioux nonagenarian, Red Cloud, the most famous of living Indian warriors, who could tell as many marvels as Aeneas told to Dido, re-fuses to accept the government's offer of an allotment of land, and goes down, like Dicken's Steerforth in the storm at Yarmouth, waving his hand defiantly in the face of destiny. Most of Her-cules' labors looked light compared with the task which the late Henry L. Dawes undertook when he and the commission undertook when he and the commission created under the law of 1893 started out to induce the Choctaws, the Creeks,



FINE GOODS <sup>47</sup> CUTLER'S

"Unless the story of Rev. N. E. Clemenson of Logan charging Senator smoot with polygamous marriage, is substantiated by some better authority than its author, the people of Utah will put the charge in the same category with numberless tales of the same originating from the same source and proving baseless. "Since his election three years ago,

the senator's marriage relations have been the chief object of attention from his enemies. Every rumor affecting his status has been chased down by men who would have given thousands of dollars to substantiate them, and every one has been abandoned as groundless. When the Leilich affidavit was made,

Cleveland Plain Dealer. It was to the it to reconstruct it? effect that a woman had given herself up to the police, asking to be kept in Railway rate discrimination will custody, because she had been compelinever cease so long as the investigation. ed to take an oath obligating her to

into it continues. And it looks as though that never would end. The question first suggesting itself was whether the woman was mentally Had those full blood Indians, the sound, and that is now being inquired Wickliffe brothers, belonged to the into. To all outward appearances, the Five Civilized tribes, they never would dispatch says, she is perfectly sane and have ambushed those United States rational. She speaks with the utmost deputy marshals, for no civilized perintelligence and declares with all freeson would do such a thing. dom and with apparent sincerity that she is living under a terrible oath, Now that "Andy" Hamilton has rewhich binds her under penalty of death to assassinate the President. She de-

turned no one seems to care anything for his information about that insurance money. It is the old, old story of wanting what is difficult to get and caring little for it when gotten. The United States supreme court's

decision in the Chicago traction cases has sent Chicago Union traction stock down a good many points, but there hasn't been a corresponding rise in municipal ownership stock.

"Passing a pure food bill may have been hard on the senate's feelings, but holding corporation officers personally responsible-that must have seemed little short of treason," says the Philadelphia North American. "If that be treason, make the most of it.'

There is to be a Memorial meeting in the Assembly Hall in this city at 10:30 a. m. on Saturday, March 17, in honor of the lamented Susan B. Anthony. Women of all classes and denominations are specially invited to be present. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Woman Suffrage association of Utah, and will be free to the public.

A peculiar method of living at the public expense has been adopted, it is said, by a German. Some years ago he sought a policeman, to whom he said uncomplimentary things about the Emperor. For this he was sent

#### to prison for two years. He was no An Italian author and historian has sooner liberated than he again put recently expressed his views concernhimself in communication with a poing certain conditions in the United liceman and repeated his former of. fence. Three years' imprisonment was States. It is always interesting, and his reward. Early in the present year solves "as others see us," even if, as in he found himself once more out upon this case, the perspective is not what the world. He looked up another policeman and said things calculated to

offend a loyal subject of the kaiser. This he can continue indefinitely. The latest indictment of modern music is that it is becoming Chinese Oriental music is incomprehensible to occidental ears, and this proposition

But reversed is, no doubt, also true. The music of the Asiatics is, to western critics, mere noise. Now comes the Chinese ambassador and claims that he can discover, in our latest compositions-does he refer to our "ragtime?"--- themes and variations essentially Chinese. Is this correct? The civilization of the "Celestials" is generally considered thousands of years behind our own, having ceased to de-

velop at a very early stage? Are

and their neighbors to allot their lands to their members as individuals, to abolish their tribal government and to merge themselves in the mass of the country's citizenship. That work has been grandly inished. The last coun-cils of the Five Tribes has been held. The epic of the American Indian has closed.

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BALTIMORE

BEAUTIES

#### Portland Oregonian.

Something over two years ago an Oregonian representative visited the west coast of Vancouver island, and, after a study of the local Indian ques-tion, ventured the opinion that the white man's religion had accomplished nothing for the west coast Indian in the way of improving mind or morals. It was also pointed out that, in many reway of improving mind or morals. It was also pointed out that, in many re-spects, religion had proved a positive detriment to the simple children of the forest. The article, of course, provoked criticism, and an attempt was made to show in contradiction that religion had done much for the isolated red men. The extent to which the white man's re-ligion has affected them is disclosed in ligion has affected them is disclosed in an interview in yesterday's Oregonian with Rev. Charles Moser, a Benedictine missionary from Clayoquot. In discuss-ing the Valencia wreck, he states that the Indians could have reached those in distress "if inducements had been made." He further states that when the Indians learned that fils was being offered for the recovery of a body, many of them started out in their ca-noes and brought in the dead. In the opinion of this minister of the gospel, "it would have been better had the In-dians been offered \$50 for every pas-senger reacued, but no one made the senger rescued, but no one made the offer, and the Indians remained at the homes." This brutal indifference to the fate of helpless women and children may indicate a religious training, but it is nothing that can be pointed to with any great degree of pride.

