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A SPLENDID CONFERENCE.

The seventy-sixth annual conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints which closed on Sunday, may be regarded as the banner conference, as to the numbers of people who attended, the encouraging reports of the financial and general conditions, the missionary work, the harmony and unity prevailing, the confidence reposed in the authorities, the intense interest in the proceedings, and the splendid spirit that prevailed throughout. The past year was the banner year in the payment of tithing, and

this announcement gave general satis-The report of the auditing faction. committee commending the accurate and complete accounting made of the receipts and disbursements was a pleasing feature, and the announcement that not a dollar of the tithing fund had been used for the expenses of the general authorities of the Church, was as surprising to carpers and maligners as it was gratifying to the Saints.

The instructions imparted were practical in character and forcible in their simplicity and earnestness. From the opening address of President Joseph F. Smith to the closing remarks by President Francis M. Lyman, a fervent spirit inspired all the utterances of the speakers and animated the immense audiences. The musical exercises, as usual, were choice and enjoyable. The juvenile choir, the solos and quartets, as well as the grand anthems and the organ accompaniments, were of a high order of merit and were duly appreciated.

On the first day of the Conference the great Tabernacle was filled above and below. The crowds in attendance gradually increased until the spacious building could not contain them, and on Sunday morning the Assembly Hall was thrown open for an overflow meeting and was speedily filled to its utmost capacity. In the afternoon both buildings were packed with listening humanity, and thousands could not gain admission to either, so an interesting meeting was held on the grounds in the open air with a very large at tendance. The authorities of the Church were sustained without a dissenting vote. Numerous speculations had been indulged in by persons and papers having no connection or business with such matters, as to appointments to fill vacancies in the Church councils. As usual they were very wide of the mark, and demonstrated the folly of the prognosticators and their lack of understanding of the Church methods and discipline. The demise of Marriner W. Merrill, a devoted and vallant soldier in the warfare against sin and error, left a vacancy in the Council of the Twelve Apostles, and that of Christian D. Fjelstead, also a faithful and able servant of the Lord, a vacancy in the First Council of Seventy. These were filled by the appointment of George F. Plehards as an Apostle, and of Charles H. Hart as one of the Seven Presidents of the Seventies. The announcement by President Lyman that Elders John W. Taylor and Matthias F. Cowley had tendered their resignations as members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, not being in harmony with their associates on important matters, and that those resignations were accepted on the 28th of October, 1995, occasioned much surprise. That action had not previously been made public. There was no desire to gratify the curiosity of people who had no business with the affair, nor to give occasion for such meddlers to claim that it was done to influence secular investigation. The resignations were made to the Council of the Twelve, accepted, and reported to the First Presidency. Outside of the presiding authorities it belonged only to the general conference to consider the matter. It was with profound regret that the step was taken and it was acquiesced in without objection but in much sorrow. The vacancies were filled by the appointment of Orson F. Whitney and David O. McKay. To fill the place of Elder Whitney on the staff of the Church Historian, Joseph F. Smith, Jr., who has been an efficient worker there was nominated All the authorities presented were unanimously sustained by the conference, a forest of hands being raised at every vote and not one being offered In the negative. It was a gratifying and imposing sight, and the new appointees received the cordial congratulations of hosts of friends and admirers; their fitness for the positions to which they were assigned was universally recognized. The entire conference was fraught with great interest, enthusiasm and enjoyment. Latter-day Saints came from all points from Canada to Mexico, and from the far east to California avid the northern Pacific coast. The weather was delightful, the railway service excellent, and though the roads across country were in had shape from the continuous rains and snows that precede the splendid sunshine during conference, the people traveled in comparative comfort and were well repaid for their journeyings. The outlook for the Church is

magnificent. The prospects for a prosperous year in temporal things are most encouraging. The spirit prevailing among the Saints is indicative of progress and determination to work righteousness. The organizations of the Priesthood and of the associations are in excellent condition. There is more intelligent, systematic effort than ever before. Confidence prevails. Harmony and good-will are in active evidence. Cheerfulness and helpfulness are widely exhibited. Education is valued and supported. The Saints rejoice in the goodness of God, and the whole Church is imbued with vigor and faith, and ove of the Lord and of the brethren. The conference just closed has given a new impetus to the latter-day work, and we may look with confidence for glorious results from the great gather-

ing of April, 1996.

THE HAGUE CONGRESS.

The Algecirus conférence being over. the powers are preparing for the second Hague conference. This may be convened some time this summer, or it may be postponed till the fall, or even until early next spring, if it proves impractical to bring the delegates together this year. The Czar, by courtesy, has the initiative in the mat-

ter There are many questions of import. ance to be discussed at the second peace conference. Some were brought up at the first gathering and postponed. The Hague court has already had important cases to pass upon, and some of its imperfections have been demonstrated. These can be considered in the light of experience, and the needed corrections made, so as to render that tribunal more effective. The ideal is the establishment of a "parliament of man," and permanent peace will be secured only when this ideal is reached, but, in the meantime, the permanent arbitration court should be rendered as popular and as efficient as

statesmanship can make it. The Czar has already signified his desire that all "politcal" questions be eliminated from the debates of the second peace conference. With "political" questions he means such as affect the right of larger nations to hold conquered peoples in submission. To this the other participants will undoubtedly assent, for nearly all of them have taken possession of lands to which they have only the rights of the stronger over the weaker. The time has not yet come for an adjustment of these claims, but it must come. And when those questions between conquerers and conquered are finally adjusted, there will be permanent peace among the children of men.

SAVE THE FALLS.

For a long time past it has been apparent to those who have watched the industrial myasion of the Niagara falls, that this natural wonder would soon cease to exist, unless effective measures were taken for its preservation. According to a recent official report 33 per cent of the low water flow is now being taken out above the cataract. The same report points out that brightest days. local authority will be unable to save the falls, and that united action by this year in politics. country and Canada is needed. It is therefore suggested that a treaty be agreed upon which will limit the diversion of waters tributary to the Nieven for the low cuts. agara river to 28,500 cubic feet per second on the American side and to 36,000 cubic feet per second on the Canadian side-these figures representing the diversions now respectively authorized. rules the American colleges. In so far as the Canadians have been more active in water tapping they are to be allowed the advantage, but are question in spring as in winter. to permit no new works. On the American side the limitation is to apply not only to works at the falls themselves, but also to Chicago, now taking firm. approximately 10,000 cubic feet per second out of Lake Michigan, and proposing to enlarge her canal into a navigable river. to wait. There is a strong sentiment among the people generally for the preservation of the falls. They form a great attraction to tourists from all over the geciras. world, and the tourist travel means much to the locality visited. The benefit manufacturers derive from the What he probably wants is a nice cheaper power is no recompense for whitewash. the loss of the stream of visitors, so that even from the point of prosaic economy the argument is in favor of sooner the better. the catarac. As a matter of sentiment it is overwhelmingly so. Manufacturers will have to utilize other lads" and find consolation in reading sources of power, if public sentiment has the deciding voice in this matter,

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ready to act.

ger of disastrous results from the big would come?' I asked Admiral Togo coal strike ordered Saturday. The conlater. 'Oh, he said, 'I knew to a ton ferees did a wise thing in leaving the how much coal they had and I knew contention open to individual mine how far they could travel on that owners and their employes, subject only to the 1903 scale, which is a com-Victory in war has been reduced al-

most to a question of mathematic calcutations. The Japanese had thoroughy learned that fact, and profited by it. They prepared for years, and carried out the plans laid with mathematical precision. But that is the only sure road to success in any pursuit. Thorough preparation, wisely laid plans, and firmness in following them out, bring victory. Chance is much less an element of success than many suppose. Chance may bring a fortune, but oftener it is accompanied by failure and ruln.

coal.

GERMANY'S GAME.

The more one reflects on the Moroecan controversy, the more evident it becomes that Germany played a hazardous game of diplomacy, and the inference is natural that more important interests than the world in general is aware of were at stake. What these really are may be revealed some day. It is well known that the German Emperor courted the friendship of France, until the Moroccan incident came up. By the stand he then took, he deliberately deprived France of some of the results of the bargain between that country and Great Britain. France traded her interests in Egypt for British sanction of her Moroccan policy. Germany interfered, and now France is entirely out of Egypt and stands before an international bar to Morocco. The ancient enmity between France and Germany has been fanned into flames again. Was German trade in Morocco worth that? Good feelings between the two nations ought to be worth much more than the open door to an African country.

But the Algeciras conference cost Germany more than the good will of France. Her interference increased the irritation against her in England and in other rival countries. From a distance it certainly looks as if the German government had committed a blunder by interfering in Morocco, unless, indeed, the advantages to be gained are worth more even, than the friendship of France and the good will of the friends of that republic. What can be the object in view?

It has been suggested that Germany possibly intends offering her "interests" n Morocco for the consent of France to the absorption of Holland and Belgium into the German Bund. That would mean the extension of German influence not only over the European area occupied by those countries, but also over the colonies and the Congo Free State. That may be the key to the German diplomatic moves, but we fancy France would never willingly consent to such an exchange.

The probability is that the French will continue their advance in Morocco with as little regard to the Algeciras treaty, as Russia paid to the agreements concerning Manchuria. It will then he seen whether Germany will go to war over the matter, or let the treaties die a natural death.

Canada's Grey days are among her

Father Gapon has asked for a trial.

Elijah II might turn to "Farm Bal-

"Betsy and I Are Out."

ress.

fession.



HOW TO SUCCEED.

A story is being told about Admiral Togo, which illustrates very well the character of the men who achieved so phenomenal success in the late war with Russia. It shows the efficiency of their information service and the accuracy of their deductions, as well as their independence of character and tenacity of purpose. When these qualities unite, defeat is out of the question. The incident is said to be vouched for by Lloyd Griscom, former United States representative at Tokio,

Togo was lying in wait for the Russian Baltic fleet. "The admiral," says Mr. Griscom, "as the world knows, guarded the shortest of the two approaches, which was the one by which the Russians came, and the world wonders how he knew. He did not know. His government believed him wrong in guarding the Korean approach and sent two messages for him to move his fleet to cover the approach by the longer route. Togo wired back saying he was confident he was right and did not move. Finally his own staff officers came to him and begged him that for the honor of his country he move the fleet. Already it was a day past the time the Russians should have been in sight. 'It would be awful,' said his officers, 'if the Russians should reach the bay.' Togo seemed moved. 'I will decide finally in twentyfour hours,' he said. In twenty-two

penalty. It is rather strange that the negress who died the other day at the age of a hundred and twenty-three years laid no claim to having been a servant in the family of Washington. The Fhiladelphia Public Ledger of March 25 celebrates the 70th anniversary of its birth, with an extra large edition. One of the features is a facsimile of the first number of the Ledger. The difference between the paper then and now, indicates very well the progress of the country in the past 70 years.

hours the Russians were sighted. Togo break in the ranks of mine operators had stood alone and was right. 'How in favor of granting the compromise did you know which way the Russians scale of 1903 that there is little dan-

"Why, what's the matter, aunty? You seem all in a flutter." "Bress you' heart, honey, dere's been a man heah to take my senses, an' I'se all decom-posed."-Baltimore American. The age-of graft is about the second "Gee! Some of these roustabouts are strong. See how easily that fellow raises that barrel of buckwheat flour." "That's no trouble. That's self-raising buckwheat."—Cleveland Leader. The price of shoes is to be higher That punitive expedition hasn't caught its Zulu rabbit yet.

The Old Story-Mr. Soltleigh-"Tommy do you really think your sister likes to see me better than she does Mr. Biggs?" Tommy—I'm sure of it, for evenings when he's in the par-lor she turns the light down so low she can't see him at all.—Pick-Me-Up. Love rules the world but football A coal strike isn't such a burning

Mistress (after many remonstrances Alistress (after many remonstrances on unpunctuality—Really, Mary, you must try to be more punctual about serving the meals. When they are late, your master blames me. Mary— Ah, well, mum, of course I can go, but you're a prisoner for life.—Punch. Evidently the iron molders are not in a melting mood, for they remain The coal miners have learned to

The Doctor: "Have you any idea. what could have caused your wife's at-tack of melancholy?" The Anxious Husband: "I think I labor and now they are learning how

About the two deadest towns in the have. It appears that she forgot to in-vite Mrs. De Bridge to her luncheon, and Mrs. De Bridge left her out when world now are Portsmouth and Alshe gave her card party."

Practise Pops.

He-Miss de Jones-Clara-I never loved any one but you. Will you be my wife? She-But I've been told that you pro-Yards cleaned up a day two before posed to four other girls within a the 16th will be accepted. In fact the month.

He-True, darling: but I did it mere-ly for practice, so that I wouldn't blunder in proposing to you,-Tit Bits.

A Boy in Spring. Willie-Papa, if I was twins would you buy the other boy a banana, too? Papa-Certainly, my son, Willie-Well, papa yo, surely ain't going to cheat me out of another banana just 'cause I'm all in one piece? -Judge. What a lot of free advertising Dowie has been getting for the last few days. It would make the fortune of an act--Judge.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

The April number of Recreation de-votes space to such topics as, "Sal-mon Fishing at the Clubs;" "Fishing on Cage Lake;" "Early Morning Blue-fishing;" "Summer on Highland Lake;" "The Mystery of the Blue Goose;" "Through Oregon;" "A Canadian Par-adise" and "Woodcraft." The illustra-tions are appropriate.—23 West, 24th street, New York.

The list of contents of What to Eat for April, contains many good things. Among these is a paper on "Cactus as Food to Redeem the Desert," in which er than serve on a jury. His objection could not have been conscientious Food to Redeem the Desert," in which the numerous uses to which this family of plants can be put, is shown. "The Best Method of Food Preservation" is another good, practical paper. Other features are: "Pure Food and Little Side Lights on Living;" "Easter, Rites," and Legends;" "Noted Dinners of the Month;" "Ella Wheeler Wilcox's Din-ing Room, Its Toasts and Sentiments," These are only a few good things from scruples against inflicting the death These are only a few good things from a long list of offerings of a similar kind, --Fierce Pub Co., Washington St., Chicago.

"The Migration of Niagara Falls" is one of the very interesting features of Four-Track News for April. It gives successive drawings of the falls. showing the radical changes the cataract has undergone through the wearing away of the rock. There are many oth-er interesting features in the number. Among these are: "Laughing Minne-haha;" "Bringing Back the Beaver;" "English in Mexico;" "Far-off Persia;" "Freaks of Lava;" and many others. The number is very handsomely illus-trated.-57 East Forty-second St., New York. "Already there has been such a

Lord Curzon of Kedleston thinks very kindly of the United States. In Lady Curson he has had a living example of what an American is. General Chaffee may be made presi-

dent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. That will be quite a departure from his old pro-A Philadelphian killed himself rath-