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CREATION.

THE lectures delivered in this city glory. This great governing planet tion upon sublime and important with the Lord is as a thousand feelings of rev themes. But it is remarkable how years." the same things affect different minute. To the reverent and devotional, the vastness of the creations, the infinitude of their number, the spring into being at once, neither ment, the harmony of their relative flat out of nothing. Creation is or-motions, even the decay and death ganization. As man was formed old Puritan strongholds, a day of orderly process of their developwhich are apparently their destiny, are confirmatory of their faith in an are confirmatory of their faith in an all-intelligent Creator, and demon-strate the necessity of His existence and controlling omnipotenee. While to the skeptical and unbe-lieving, the universe, with its won-ders and evolutions, its stages and lieving, the universe, with its won-ders and evolutions, its istages and gradations, its vast periods of growth fantile, adolescent and matured life, given to Mammon. The people are gradations, its vast periods of growth fantile, adolescent and matured life, not mercenary enough for that yet. and calculated by science, calls for no regulating, governing Mind, but than death, which science cannot is the effect of laws without a law- determine, which no -human giver, and at the same time its own thought, unaided by divine illumin- often represented in glowing misgreat, first cause.

strate, and many things which selence deduces from established facts its nature, condition or continu- ity more readily and rapidly fill the and principles, furnish additional ance.

testimonies to the truth of ideas But the spirit of revelation which ancient faiths in India, China and which have been obtained by divine "searcheth all things, yea the deep Japan? One reason, says the Times, revelation. The theory of the birth things of God," can and does unfold is that: and growth and death of worlds, as these mysteries to those who can and growth and death of worlds, as these mysteries to those who can described in the lectures and writ-ings of advanced astronomers, is in they are able to grasp and profit by no sense opposed to the scriptures them. It is the life essence of all of its truths, has disgusted the inno sense opposed to the scriptures them. It is the life essence of all of its truths, has disgusted the in-telligent Oriental mind. \* \* \* calculation of the immense periods moving mite and vitalizes the most believe, in the very point of view of of time alleged to have passed away minute plant. It glistens in the missionaries, who endeavor to of time alleged to have passed away of time alleged to have passed away from the first stage of the world's pro-duction to the next, and to have in-tervened between one important change and another, does not neces-sarily conflict with the revelations of religion, although the former are not sufficiently definite to rely upon as settled truth. Geelogists as well as astronomers differ among themselves to the extent of hundreds of prehend even the Majesty on High millions of years as to the periods in the fulness of His glory. necessary to produce given changes, and there are so many reasons to believe that the forces and energies cerning the future of worlds, their whose action upon matter can now be determined by experiment, operated with greatly accelerated power their glowing condition in their in the ages of a globe's incipiency, that the deductions of geological time-counters are at the best but vague and unsatisfactory. Still, whatever the periods may have been which passed from the time of the glowing to the vaporous stage, IT is often represented by the advo thence to the time when the dry land appeared, and so on till the time inations that they are increasing when the globe was fitted for vege- wonderfully in number, and the table and animal life, even Genesis leading "orthodox" sects rejoice with its brief and enunciatory sen- greatly over the spread of their socitences, does not state anything which sties. But men who know whereof conflicts with demonstrated scien- they speak tell quite a different story. tific truth. Certain facts are declar- For instance, Rev, Dr. Cuyler de ed, but between the stages described clares to the very contrary in the until the "days" are mentioned, no New York Independent, and says: periods are named, and they may have been as immense as those claimed by the most daring. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." This goes back of everything that the astronefathom with the limited line of reason or discern by the cold eye of science. He declares that in its first stage, so far as he can determine, the globe was a glowing, gaseous, revolving body. How it started he does not pretend to know. Revelation, ancient and modern, says that God began the worlds. How? The creative force which started the motion of the first germ of each, in its own time, was faith, "God spake, chaos heard, and worlds came into order by reason of the faith that was in Him." That faith is a spiritual force, a moving, crea-tive energy. It exists in man, but only do their duty." tive energy. It exists in man, but is undeveloped; it is an attribute of the Almighty, who possesses it in all Chaplain, states, in the Wesleyan its fulness and potency. Can those who have reflected enough on the glorious harmony and reciprocity of the heavenly bodies 27 per cent. less, and in the Border endid orreally believe that this sp der and correlation, this perfect ad. growth of population. In the latter justment as to bulk, distance and time, this mutual depend benefit needful to establish the squilibrium and preserve the safety, hay the very existence of these nay the very existence of these colling spheres with their products and inhabitants, are all the results relative gain, during this time a of blind and unintelligent action, without design and without a met in church membership. CA fact tive? If so, the so-called akeptic is which he thinks "profoundly sug the most credulous of mortals." He gestive of waning influence." Bu is far more believing that the devout oper of the Infinite and Eternal God. For the skeptic believes and has kept up with the advance of that order came of itself out of chaos, population; and he gives some that unthinking forces of immens-urable energy subdued themselves into mutual forbearance and interde-pendence, and that intelligence made itself out of unintelligent mat-

same order as our globe, and the description corresponds with the deductions of the best scientists. eaving out their calculations as to time. But the "days" there spoken

of are not to be considered as the arth's diurnal revolutions. It was lestial time that is referred to The Lord's "days," not man's. Acarding to modern revelation the by the New York Church un and Earth, with other planets, re governed by a higher world,

which, in its turn, is gov-erned by others still higher, versions and recruit the churches, and they by a vast orb which is nearest to the celestial where the as if Nature should suddenly start Eternal Father is enthroned in violent methods what she has be

appointed to do through the reg much good, because they have agimuch good, because they have agi-tated the waters of thought and stirred up the public mind to reflec-tion upon make a diurnal revolution. By this time were the periods regulated called "days," in Genesis; "One day with the Lord is as a thousand feelings of revulsion."

The decline of the religious feeling in New England is thus com-The birth and growth of worlds proceed according to fixed and etermented on by Rev. Dr. Dwinell, in nal principles. They did not all the Pacific: the stand add and

"There has been a marked fallin did they come forth by the divine off in the observance of the Sabbati out of dust and it is said he was "created," so worlds were formed streets; the railroad whistles shriek; something after death and more "Christianity" is not making the head way in Asiatic countries that is

great, first cause. To the Latter day Saints, every-thing which science can demonculation can determine either as to question, Why does not Christian-

"Are not ministers and churches imperatively called upon to look four farly in the face the condition of things in the sphere of spiritual life nerce for which he has pro ound respect, He m among us, as exhibited in these re-ports of unfruitfulness and want of progress which have been so widely noticed, with apparent surprise by government pepaling.

NEW YORK, 12 .-The revival system and its failures are thus sensibly commented on in Mexico was held at 12 adway to-day, General Grang, and the following gent "The exact truth seems to be that

with others, were Romero, Stephen I ney Dillon, Stephen B. Musgrave, Sid-James H. Work and General G. M. Dodge. Mr. Romero mederal G. M. Mexico, showing its relations to ther portions of the railroad system process of construction in tha untry. After some remarks upor ns of the charter of the and which he proposed to answe to the new company, a resolution was adopted accepting the transfer of the charter and providing for ob-taining such modifications in its provisions as were deemed necesadion notw 1

BOSTON, 12.-Faneuil Hall was Bosron, 12.—Faneuil Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity last night to express sympathy for Ire-land. Mayor Prince presided, Wen-dell Phillips and Gen. Butler were among the speakers, and advocated giving moral and financial support to the people of Ireland in their pre-sent struggle. Gov. Long, in a let-ter, expressed his sympathy for the cause of the Irish people, so long as they seek within constitutional lines and legitimate methods to secure they seek within constitutional lines and legitimate methods to secure their political and social welfare. Letters were also received from Gov. Call upon the particle of recolutions hold up to their purpose of reform, and allow nothing to drive them to violence, for which they are not pre-It also appears that modern

pared. BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Hussars are expected on Wednesday at Newcastle, Natal. They are still 20 miles distant. place left vacant by the decay of the

There is reason to believe the Boers are tapping the telegraph wires, and government telegrams will be sent in cypher.

The Boers of Orange Free State have joined the hostile movement, and are stopping cattle supplies.



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cates of the various sectarian denom

"The alarming feature in the pre-sent aspect of the evangelical chur-ches is that the number of accesso-

ries is that the number of accesso-ries is so small, whether by the grad-ual system or by the periodic revival method. Last year the total in-crease in the number of communi-cants in the Presbyterian Church North was only 4,200; and when we consider that it includes 5,400 indi-vidual congregations, and shows that there was less than one addition that there was less than one addition to each church, the statement is positively appalling. Some statistics equally startling were presented at the Congregational council. These two denominations are probably no worse off than the Baptists, Methosts, etc., if the 'bottom facts' were carefully brought out. \* \* The falling off in church attendance

over the land is undenlable. All-attempts to conceal or falsify such facts

Rev. Dr. Harrison, Congressions

Christian Advocate, that in the sevon years from 1852 to 1879, in the Middle States the increase has been States 40 per cent. less than the States, he says, "while the population Increases 100 per cent., the Me-States, there has been, instead of a The refusal of the House to tal up the apportionment bills yeste day is believed by many observe in the South Dr. Harrison thinks the Methodist-Church has done better,

highest respect and reverence, and then to show the better way and the more complete revelation."

The Susquehanna has overflowed the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks near Harrisburg to the extent of three feet and made a deluge all A third and no less palpable reason why these intelligent "pagans suckled in a creed outworn" do not along its course. The Juniata is also gorged and carried away bridges and submerged buildings. embrace Christianity as represented to them is its "unintelligible dog-mas," as Archbishop Whately calls

Freshets near Charleston have naged the railway tracks serious

A grand dinner was given to Sen and not over particular apologists for the orthodox ecclesiastical organiza-tions, are often painted in far too vivid colors.

Correspondence.

## LAKETOWN, Rich County, Utah, February 8th, 1881.

## Editor Deseret News:

From all this it appears that the

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WASHINGTON NEWS.

The people of this settlement, in common with the brethren and sisters of this Stake of Zion in the various settlements, have been the recipients of the word of the Lord through his servants in a

WASHINGTON, 12.—The lateness of the hour at which the Senate reached a decision of the pending parliamentary difficulty on the post office appropriation bill precluded any executive session yesterday af-ternoon, except one of a few min-utes' duration, and consequently the Chinese treaties were not reached, They may perhaps be reached at an executive session to-day, but it is more probable that their considera-tion will be deferred until the early part of next week. Each member of the California Lord through his servants in a manner that is rarely, if ever, excel-led in this part of his vineyard. Pursuant to appointment, Elders J. U. Stucki, Daniel Jacobs, A. Gal-loway, George Spencer, John Nebe-ker, Hugh Findlay and Bishop John Hunt, of St. Charles, met with us at 6.30 o'clock last evening and at 10 c'clock this 'morning. All the us at 6.30 o'clock last evening and at 10 o'clock this 'morning. All the brethren seemed especially impress-ed with the influence of the good spirit, the theme of their instruc-tions being the necessity of union in matters temporal as well as spiritual, the word of wisdom, overcoming the evils of the flesh, and the sub-jection of our lives and all that we have and 'are to the dictation of the will of the 'Lord. The necessity of education was also treated emphati-cally and elaborately by the breth-ren. Truly it proved a feast of fat things that will be remembered for a long time by those who were priv-Each member of the California delegation in the House of Repre-sentatives yesterday received a tele-gram from San Francisco, signed by J. W. Winans, John L. Beard, J. West, Martin, L. B. Redding, A. S Hallidie and Prof. Geo. Davidson, regents of the California State Uniregents of the California State Uni-versity, earnestly requesting the California representatives to secure the passage in the House, of the Se-nate bill 1457, for the relief of that institution, and incidentally asking if it has passed the Senate. This ap pears to have been sent under a to-tal misaning the passent

things that will be remembered for a long time by those who were priv-ileged to share its bounties. The health of the people is good, although, a short time since, most of the children were suffering from se-vere colds, brought upon them by the inclement weather, which it was our lot to experience. The people seem generally to have a desire to sustain the priesthood and to unite upon the basis of the principles of the gospel. Our Sunday School is flourishing, as also the young folks Mutual Improvement Associations. They hold their meetings regularly and quite an amount of energy is manifested by them in making their meetings mutually instructive and entertaining. The citizens were not perfectly in tal misapprehension of the present states of the bill referred to, which has not yet been passed by the Se-nate, but on the contrary still awaits action on its calendar of measures All the regular appropriation bills have now been reported to the House and passed by that body er-cept the sundry civil and deficiency bills, which are in course of preparation by the committee on appropri-ations and the river and harbor bills. now under discussion in committee of the whole. It is the intention of the friends of the latter bill to endeavor to hold the House in session to-day until a direct vote upon its passage is reached, but to ac-complish this without permitting

The citizens were not perfectly in anison in relation to certain water claims but these were satisfactorily adjusted under the wise direction of Bishops Ira Nebeker, Joseph Kim-ball and Archibald McKinnon, who measure to be overweighted amendments will be extremely were here as county water comm tioners and we have reason to ha that these sores have been comple y and forever healed. is believed by many observers dicate quite certainly that no rtionment measure will get ugh the present Congress, but Representative who has it in ge is confident that it will be

charge is confident that is week and passed by the House next week and no considerable apposition is appre-



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