

perceives the present drift of affairs

and the consequent dangers that are threatening, is plain to the close observer. The only room for difference of opinion regarding the general position he assumes exists in the character of the remedy, conspicuous among which, from his standpoint, is a judicious reform of the tariff in order to reduce the treasury surplus and the immense profits made by capitalists and give the benefits of the were read. The speakers on Sunday reduction in the price of commodi- were Presidents Seegmilier and Clark, reduction in the price of commodities to the consumers-the great mass of the American people. Even those who differ from the President in relation to remedial measures cannot but commend his unchangeable firmness commend his unchangeable firmness Saints to arrange for the proper edu-growing out of a conviction of right. cation. of their children, and other There is an element of grandeur in a subjects of import. man of that calibre that one cannot but On Monday morning, Stake Superinman of that calibre that one cannot but tendent H. P. Miller read the statistiadmire independent of all diversity of call report of the Sunday Schools and opinion, and the national verdict spoke of the benefits derived from these institutions, and of the necessity Mr. Cleveland is one of the greatest and strongest men that ever occupied the chair of the White House.

Tac recommendations upon the various subjects of national interest, and the information coaveyed in connection with them are tersely and clearly set forth in the message. They are matters with which the reader who notes the march of current events is more or less familiar, and comment in detail, by way of copious review is hardly necessary at present.

## INCREASE OF CRIME.

In the New Princeton Review for November, is an article by George R. Stetson, in which some startling figures small to accommodate all present, are given relative to the increase of pleting the State Tabernacle at an crime. The Unristian Union makes early date. A good spirit prevailed the following summary of the article:

"Mr. Stetson presents in a very effective way, and in a popular form, the productive of a larger attendance and results of an exhaustive analysis of criminal statistics in the last census, as it is presented by Mr. Wines in the recent numbers of the "International Record of Charities and Correction. and these statistics seem to bear out the title of Mr. Stetson's article, "The Renaissance of Barbarism," and to ustify his assertion that "we are in a period of moral decadence—a decad-ence which is not confined to Massachusetts and the United States, but which casts its shadow over the European conti-nent." This is a startling statement, shadow but the figures in support of it are equally startling, since they show an increase in the ratio of prisoners to population in the United States of from 1 in 3,448 in 1850, to 1 in 855 in 1880. In Massachusetts the prison population has more than doubled in its relation to the general population between 1850 and 1887

It is indeed true that improvements in civilization necessarily involve some increase in crime, especially against Where there is nothing property. to steal there are no thieves. But we cannot attribute that relative increase of crime in the United States wholly to this cause, since in England civilization has also improved in thirty years, and yet under an improved penal system crime has the condition of the Church at the diminished from about 22,000 criminals present time and that shown in the in 1850, out of a population of 17,700,-900, to 11,400 in 1880, out of a popula-tion of 24 500,000. Why has the ratio of criminals increased in the United

States and decreased in Great Britain? We cannot console our humiliated we cannot console our humiliated national pride by charging this increase upon immigration. In 1850 the per centage of foreign-born prisoners, in 1880 it is a little less than double. This may, indeed, be due to the fact that imported criminal tendencies de-

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Sevier Stake. The quarterly conference of Seyler

\$219,001,175.63 was received from customs duties and \$124,296,871.98 from internal revenue taxes. The total re-Stake convened in Richfield, Sunday and Monday, November 25th and 26th ceipts from all sources exceeded those The Priesthood and members of the for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1887, by \$7,862,797 10. The ordinary exvarious wards were well represented. penses of the fiscal year ending . une President Secgmiller presided. On Sunday morning the statistical

30, 1888, were \$259,653,958.67; leaving a surplus of \$119,612,116.09. The dereport, also the revelation received by crease in expenditures as compared President Taylor in October, 1882, with the year ended June 30, 1887, was 8,278,220 30, notwithstanding payment of more than \$5,000,000 for pensions in excess of what was paid for that purpose in the latter mentioned Elders O. C. Andreason, Andrew Gilbert, Alforzo Wingate and I. J. Hayes. Tacy exhorted the Safats to study year. The estimated receipts for the year ending June 30, 1800, are \$377,well and put into practice the requirements of God as contained in His re-000,000, and the estimated ordinary exvealed will. Also encouraged the penditures for the same time are \$275, 767,488, showing a surplus of \$101,232, 511 66 The foregoing statements of the surplus do not take into account

the sum necessary to be expended to meet the requirements of the SINKING FUND

act amounting to more than \$47,000,-000 annually. The cost of collecting of teaching our children to pray. Bishop J. S. Horne addressed the the customs revenues for the last fis-cal year was 2.44 percent.; for the year 1885 it was 3.77 per cent. The excess meeting; spoke upon the necessity of G. W. Bean spoke upon the educa-tion of the young in the principles of the Gospel, and of sustaining Church of internal revenue taxes collected during the last fiscal year over those collected ending Jane 30, 1897, was \$5,489,174 26, and the cost of collecting this revenue decreased from 34 per On Monday afternoon President Seegmiller addressed the congregation, cent in 1887 to less than 8.2 per cent for the last year. The tax collected on oleomargarine was \$723.048.04 for the year ending June 30th, 1887, and \$864,189.88 for the following year. showing the condition of men holding the Priesthood who neglect to magnify it; the necessity of completing the

Stake Tabernacle and other duties, of the Saints. Elder Joseph Parker gave a brief account of his missionary labors in After the conclusion of the after-

noon meeting the congregation re-paired to the site of the new Stake labernacle where the corner stone was laid. The meetings were all well attended, the house being entirely too We think the shange from Saturday

to Sunday for commencing conference more spirited meetings.

# Utah Stake Conference.

Oa Monday, at 10 a.m. the assembly was called to order by President A. O Smoet. Bishop Myron Tanner, of Provo, offered the opening prayer. Elder Karl G. Maeser was the first speaker. He dwelt with great force on \$299,908,990, and of this \$55,829,303 was the necessity of unremitting attention to our duties in the present crisis. Stake Clerk James W. Bean then that amount were held by the governpresented the General and Stake authosities, who were unanimously sustained.

President H. H. Cluff explained that six special missionaries had been selected to labor among the people as

if they were abroad in the world, and read their names as follows: David year Lewis Harvey. The speaker next made an extended comparison between

parable of the "ten virgins." After the singing of an anthem by the choir Bishop Snell, of Span ish Fork. pronounced the benediction.

On Monday afternoon Elder Wm. H. of which was to show the results of

the fiscal year ending June 30, 1888, iral Porter, overnor zougo Le statement correct. For sale at of Virginia, Governor Gordon of Georgia, General Beauregard of Loui-sians, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jay Gould, Chauncey M. Depew and amounted to \$379,266,074.76, of which Z. C. H. I. Drug Dept. TERRIBLE.

laus Spreckels. Transcontinental Rates.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4 -After a session asting twenty-two days, the Transrelieve, and may save your life. continental Association sinished its labors today and adjourned. A system of graded rates was agreed upon on traffic coming to the Pacific coast. The Go to the Rock Springs Coal Co. Agency, for Rock Springs, Pleasant Valley, Grass Creek, Bear River and highest class of differential rates in favor of Chicago will be three cents Valley, Grass Ca Red Canon Coal. less than from New York, while the lowest class will be ten cents less. St. Louis rates will be 96 per cent of the ronage. Chicago rate and Missouri Rive rates vill be 90 per cent of theChicago rates Buffalo and Pittsburg are 20 cents less

than New York on the first class and five cents less on the lowest class. Circinnali, Toledo and iD troit are made 20 cents less than New York on the hig est class and five cents less on the lowest class.

Boyle & Co., iron brokers, bought 55,000 kegs of nails within the past ten days, and now have practically com-plete control of the market. Desiring Fine Winter Apples, free from worms, at a very low price, should correspond with Provo's Grocer, J. R. Boshard; he can give you just what

### The Parnell Commission

LONDON, Dec. 4 -Before the Parnell Commission today, a man named iallaher testified that by means of The accumulated surplus on Septemthreate they would burn his house and ber 29, 1888, wils \$96,444,845 84. Th the "Moonlighters" assaulted him and his family. He was compelled to swear loyaty to the league and that he would guit the employment of farmers then under toycott. Another witness, Condor, testulied that Geo. Twiss and John Connell induced fram to join the inner circle of the league, a saying it was a fine thing to be a soldier of Parnell's, that he would retalittle pay for doing almost nothing. C. C. Amussen is selling out his Jewelry Stock. See his advt. NOTICE: On and after this date all grades of FLOUR, made by us, will advance Twenty-five Cents per hundred. Huster & Co., Wassteh Roller Mill. ELLAS MORRIS. the "Moonlighters" assaulted him and surplus revenues from that date to June 30, 1889, as estimated, are \$75,-365,208.25, making the total accumu-lations to June 30, 1889, which could be used in the purchase of bonds, \$171,810,054.09 Between said Septem-ber 29 and November 22, \$44,309,509 50 has been paid for bonds, consequently if no more bonds were bought between now and Jane 3) next, the surplus get a little pay for doing almost nothing. The order he joined was known as the "boys." Witness took part in the ex-pedition of the "boys," carrying guns and revolvers. Timothy Harrington, would then amount to \$127,000,000,and with the surplus already ac sumulated, amounting to \$101,000,000, would

MAKE A TOTAL secretary of a branch of the league of \$228,000,000, which might be used paid the witness and nine others at during the next nineteen months for shillings each on the occasion of one outrage. Timothy Harrington prom-ised to pay witness and other-their own price if they could the purchase of the interest-bearing debt. Calculations on this basis would show that the principal and interest on the 4 per cent boads could be paid secure the election of one of their number (McSweeney) as poor before 1900. At the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1887, there had been coined under law guardian. He instructed them not law guardian. He instructed them not to kill voters but only frighten them greatly and compel them to sign voting papers. Those who refused were co-erced and compelled to sign. Harring-ton paid witness £7. All the members of the inner circle belonged to the league. Membership in the langue was essential to membership in the"boys." the compulsory silver coinage act \$206,988,280 in silver dollars, \$55,504,376 of which were in the hands of the people. On the 31th day of June, 1888, there had been coined in circulation in silver coin and \$200, 337,275 in silver certificates for the redemption of which silver dollars to

Opinious on the Message. WASBINGTON, Dec. 4 .- The follow

ng are among the congressional ex ressions of Cleveland's message: Springer (dem ) of Illinois, said : "It

is as strong on the tariff question as the last one, though not so explicit. It is a good paper." Congressman Reed (rep.) of Maine :

"A year has brought about a great change. Then it was a condition that confronted us and not a theory, and now apparently it's a theory and not a

Senator Ingalls (republican) o Kansası "President Cleveland's im perturbability is entirely too perfect to be the realit of self-control." Congressman Boutelle (republican) of Maine: It is old straw threshed

again. The message is weary, stale aque, lows. Senator Gorman (democratic) of Maryland: "It is a very interesting, statesmanlike document."

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ment. On the 30th day of November, 1888, \$312,570,080 had been coined, \$60,-970,900 of silver dollars were actually in circulation, and \$237,418,146 in certificates, for which reason the secretary recommends the suspension of the further coinage of silver. The value of the principal articles of domestic merchandise for the ending June 30.b, 1888, was \$683.892,104, as against \$703,022,923 for the preceding year.

The total value of imported merchan-dise increased from \$592,319,765 in 1887 to \$723,956,114 in 1888, being an increase of \$31,637,646, or 4.6 per cent of IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

carriedduring the year, only 13 44 per cent was carried in American vessels fne total number of allen passen-gers coming into the United States

from foreign countries other than Canada and Mexico during the year ending June 30, 1888, was 567,510. Recelpts of the capitation tax were \$291, 189.59. Expenditures on account of immigration during the year were \$159,836 10.

WILLIAM OGDEN Asst. Stake Clerk.