

THE SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY. FRIDAY, October 6th, 1876.

one to assume the authority of God
to speak unto the children of man God, for he was
the fountain of truth. No man
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the fountain of foundation of the particles. How as pleased to the foundation of the particle of the statter day Saints, with all its officers and ordinances, unaided
for the base plast of the particle of t in a fair way of obtaining the true riches; but we must learn to be honest in our temporal affairs, or we could never attain to the enjoy-ment of eternal riches. It was a good work, it was a glorious work, in which we as Latter-day Saints were engaged, therefore let us, in our families and the church in which we were members, labor Zion to our God and might secure to ourselves eternal begun. life, Amen.

SECOND DAY. BATUKDAY, Oct. 7, 10 a.m. The choir sang-What wondrous things we now Lehold, By prophets seen in days of old.

Prayer by Elder GEO. Q. CAN-The choir sang-

O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come. ELDER JOHN TAYLOR

Said in meeting together as a con-ference to speak and transact such The committee retired and dur-FRIDAY, October 6th, 1876.
2 o'clock p.m.The choir sang—The choir sang—ference to speak and transact such
business as might be brought be-
fore us it was absolutely necessary
that both speakers and hearers
should be under the guidance and
dictation of the Spirit of the living
God. For men in any age of the
world to understand anything
about God, about things past, pre-
sent and to come, God himself hadThe committee retired and dur-
ing their absence in response to a
call, the convention was addressed
by Hon. Erastus Snow, from
Washington County. He treated
briefly and clearly upon the duties
of the members of the convention,
and alluded to the political position
of the people of Utab. Prayer by Elder BRIGHAM
YOUNG, Junr.
The choir sang—world to understand anything
about God, about things past, pre-
sent and to come, God himself had
to reveal that knowledge. What-
ever had been known about the
gospel of Jesus Christ, or the Aar-
onic and Melchisedeck priesthood,
either in ancient or modern times,
had been revealed from Heaven
by God himself through his serv-
ants, whom he had raised up in
aid it was a serious thing for asyand alluded to the political position
of the people of Utab.
Hon. L. Farr, from Weber County,
also spoke in answer to a call. He
alluded to the fact that this was
the first convention strictly of this
nature that ever had convened in
Utab, and he felt it to be a proper
step, and one that would have a
favorable effect in enabling the cit-
izens of Utah to secure their rights to
statehood. He treated upon the
importance of the people giving said it was a serious thing for any one to assume the authority of God to speak unto the children of men in his name, and administer to them the ordinances of the everserve the people were manfully de-c'aring and making manifest their desires in this regard. He had no

delegates elect, find the following Schaeffer.

with all our might to build up a would have to be built, and our David Evans, Jonathan Page, Wil-Zion to our God, and establish the principle of righteousness, that we tinue in this work that we had just Juab County. Joel Grover, John M. Haws, (He then spoke of the spread of Foote.

unanimous vote Judge Elias Smith ily of taking steps with a view to was elected temperary chairman, who, in a few appropriate remarks thanked the Convention for the honor conferred on him, in elect-ing him to that position. He moved for the appointment of a ing him to that position. On motion, John T. Caine was committe of nine, by the chair, on elected temporary secretary. On motion, the following were appointed, by the Chair, a comresolutions, which was carried unanimously. The President appointed the fo

mittee on credentialsowing-

D. O. Calder, of Salt Lake; W. B. Preston, Cache; W. W. Cluff, Summit; John W. Hess, Davis; L. W. Harrington, Utab; and Silas Wright, Richard Fry, John B. Smith, Iron County. Maiben.

On motion a recess was taken intil 7 p.m.

> -----Correspondence.

The Eook Question

SALT LAKE CITY, October 7, 1876

Editor Deseret News.

I find in this morning's Herald that Mr. Riggs has introduced another of his peculiar modes of fig-uring. He states that the pupils of the common schools of the Territory can be supplied with a new series of geographies fors2,275, but in order to do this he has first recourse to reducing the 30,000 pupils to 20,000, and then the 20,000 to 4,000. Now the convention contemplated an entire change of geographies. The change I stated would have to be made in three years, and the old ones supplanted within that time. Will Mr. Riggs furnish a respon-sible house that will enter into bonds to supply all the schools of this Territory with a new series of geographies, not as he shall dictate, but as they may require for the next three years, for \$2,275? If he can. I presume there will be no ob-jections, but I must confess that I would rather have the fects than his figures, for the books, at even half published price, are \$2 a set. Not having time now, 1 may refer to this subject again after Conference, and I then may be able

to show how much innocence and disinterestedness there has been in this matter; and, as I stated before, if he wants an expose I can give it.

Respectfully, etc., JOHN TAYLOR.

The Timber Case.-The Wells-Patton stumpage case has been in Your committee on credentials, progress to day, before Judge

"Prisoner at the bar," said a pompeus judge. "you will soon appear before ano-ther and perhaps a better judge."



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ELDER CHARLES C. RICH

tions of the earth, striving to put Much appreciated the instructions entirely away the Bible from the we had been listening to from the schools, lest the children should be servants of God. God was just as taught something about God, whom willing to dictate to us as he was to they utterly ignored, and had no dictate to his Son Jesus Christ. desire to hear anything about. Were we as willing to be dictated "Mormorism," as it was called, as Jesus was, and were we as will- though spurned at and ridiculed ing to obey the mandates of our by the learned religious world, Heavenly Father as Jesus our elder would shortly become head and brother was? Because we were un-der as much obligation to do the now known among men. Its founwill of God as he was. God requir-ed of us the labor for the building up of Zion, and it would not do to laint by the way, and indulge in a the religious world put together. feeling that we had done enough. He then concluded with a few for we were required to endure to kind and faithful admonitions to the end, and it was expected of us the Saints. to be honest and true in every posi-

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John Riggs,

Charles Brewerton,

ELDER GEORGE Q. CANNON tion of life wherever we were placed. In the gospel we had emthen presented the following misbraced there was a remedy for all sionaries for the action of the conour ills, and for all our trials, that | ferencewas sure, in its application, to our TO THE UNITED STATES.

everyday life, no matter what our faults, failings and disappoint-ments. When men were led by their own whims and imaginations, disappointment and confusion were sure to be the result, but when men were guided by divine revelation there was no possibility of either failure or disappointment. He then urged the Latter-day Saints to car-ry out every principle of righteousness that had been taught us, and take pleasure in performing all those duties that the Lord required of us to build up his kingdom, whether temporal or spiritual. He regarded it as a great privilege and blessing to be a member of the Church and attend to those labors that pertained to himself and his dead friends. He then bore testimony that he knew Joseph Smith to be a Prophet of God, and that Brigham Young was his lawful successor possessed with all the power and authority to build up the kingdom. He also bore testimony to the judgments of God that would shortly be poured out upon the wicked world.

ELDER F. D. RICHARDS

Haid the principles he had listened to had been very sweet and profitable to him. We, the Elders of Israel, did not live for ourselves, but for all mankind. It was so in every age of the world, when the authority of God was upon the earth. If we were to hold still, the very stones under our feet would cry out, yet the world knew it not, for the principle of new revelation was entirely repudiated by them, and such was the thick darkness that had beelouded the minds of the people, and they had strayed so far away from God, that they actually deemed it sacrilege for any one to come unto them with "thus saith the Lord." It was only by demonstrating the truth for ourserves, and the testimony of the servants of God, that we obtained a knowledge that these things were true, and that Joseph was a pro-phet. In the principles of the gos-pel he was with the Saints in everything that pertained to the building up and furthering the cause of

ELDER BRIGHAM YOUNG, JUN.,

infidelity among the civilized na-Millard County. Edward Partridge, David Thompson, B. H. Watts. Beaver County. W. Fotheringham, Richard S

Horne, A. M. Musser. of the celebrated young American Acto Iron Connty. MR. JAS. M. WARD. Jesse N. Smith, H. Lunt, S. S. Smith. And the accouplished Actress and Queen of Song, MISS Kane County A. Nebeker, C. Pulsipher

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Tooele County irace Dashwood, with Song, Liverpool Mary MONTAGUE. John Rowberry, W. C. Ryda'ch. Weber County. And an efficient cast of characters. Franklin D. Richards, C. W Penrose, Joseph Stanford, Lorin R. MATTHEWS & CO. Fair, L. J. Herrick.

Cache County Brigham Young, Jr., Wm. Hyde, Moses Thatcher, W. W. Merrill, CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS, John Jardin, Samuel Roskelly, W ALT LAKE CITY. - - - - UTAH. F. Lettlewood. We take pleasure in offering the following articles to the public, which we feel assured will meet their approbation: Rich County. John Nebeker. Respectfully submitted, Bath Sand - Tablets. D. O. CALDER, Chairman TOILET (PERFUMED) BABY SOAP The report was received and the committee was discharged. The roll being called, all the del-SCOURING SOAP. egates answered to their names ex-

cepting two, one of whom subsejuently made his appearance. Permanent organization being SUPERIOR now in order, on motion the fol lowing were appointed, by the WRITING FLUID, Sc., Sc. choir, a committee to nominate of-

Our articles are made of the best materi-al, and we warrant them PURE. For sale wholesale and retail, at the J. R. Winder, Anson Call, Wil-lard G. Smith, A. Nebeker, W. G. Fotheringham, John Rowberry, Relief Society Woman's Mercantile Asser'n. and Oliver G. Snow. During the absence of the com-mittee, Hon. C. W. Penrose an-swered to a call for a speech, deliv-Old Constitution Buildings. d289

To Trappers, Coering a lucid and appropriate address, in which he reviewed the political situation in Utah, and operative Stores and clearly defined the duties of the convention and the people generally in regard to their duties as cit-**Others:**

izens. He did not take quite so melancholy a view of the prospects for Utah to become a State as that As numbers of our Paexpressed by a previous speaker. Circumstances had materially

trons are already bringchanged of late, and he though they were becoming more favora-ble than heretofore. The ability of ing and sending in MUSK-Utah to govern herself was becom-

RAT SkiNS, we wish to ing widely known.

Hon, L. E. Harrington was called state that those pelts are FALL AND for and responded in a suitable address. He felt assured that the always of an Inferior status of the people of Utah as a

political organization would soon Grade, when taken from

H. B. CLAWSON, Supt.





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