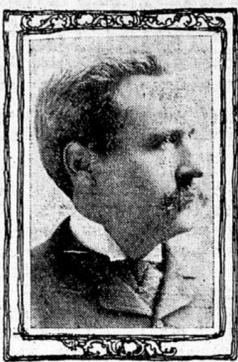


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LAMONI AWAITS SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

Little Iowa Town the Center of the Mormon Faith With Joseph Smith II. as Its Prophet.



JOSEPH S. SMITH, JR., Head of the "Church of Latter-day Saints," with buildings at Lamoni, Iowa.

Special to the Journal. Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 11.—The second coming of Christ is to take place in the little town of Lamoni, Decatur county, Iowa—three miles from the Missouri line—according to the belief of the Church of Latter Day Saints which has for its prophet and president Joseph Smith, Jr., son of the original Joseph Smith, who gave up his life for the cause of Mormonism at Carthage, Ill., fifty-eight years ago.

We beg of thee to prosper us, not laden with many numbers, but with contentment, and with minds pure in thy sight. So in Lamoni, as in Bolga of Ople Read, the coming of every stranger is hailed with a curiosity and an inspection which makes the stranger feel that perhaps he is trying to imitate Christ, and which is not satisfied until the business or purpose of his visit is known to the leading men of the town.

Just a glimpse of a woman's face is often all that is needed to tell the story of her daily suffering. No woman can endure for long the pangs of womanly diseases without falling off in face and form. Women who have been cured of womanly diseases by the use of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, frequently refer with pleasure to the gain in appearance as well as in feelings, which has come with their cure.

The Man Smith. Smith, prophet and seer, is 69 years of age. He is an intelligent, sincere man, but his appearance betrays his profession of a father confessor and suggests rather a retired farmer in good circumstances or prosperous country merchant. Smith spends most of his time at his desk answering a voluminous correspondence from all parts of the world—for missionaries published in Lamoni to the Pacific islands, to the Orient, Africa, the far north, and every other place where there is a chance to gain converts to the faith, to say nothing of the numerous bands working in the United States.

THE LATEST PORTRAIT OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA

London, Dec. 21.—Queen Alexandra has just sat—or rather stood—for the most pleasing portrait she has appeared lately. As usual, she looks some twenty years younger than her age, which was 57 this month. The boy in her arms is her youngest grandchild, Prince Henry William Frederick Albert, who will be 2 years old next March.



partly because she sees in him some resemblance to her own eldest son, the Duke of Clarence, who died a few years ago. In consequence, she is especially interesting herself in his up-bringing, and it is said that if he does not develop the same fastidious ways and ultra-royal graces of the ill-fated duke, it will not be the royal grandmother's fault.

IN ART CIRCLES

Alexis Fournier will hold an exhibition of the pictorial treasures of his country, during the absence abroad, Jan. 15-25, inclusive, in the rooms of John S. Bradstreet & Co., 208 West street S. On Tuesday evening the exhibition will be opened by a private view for which invitations have been issued. Mr. Fournier will show thirty canvases, about one-third of which are Venetian subjects.

DR. BURTON'S COURSE

The third series of lectures in the Stanley Hall Lyceum courses for this season will begin next Friday night, Jan. 17, with a series of lecture-recitals by Dr. Richard Burton of the state university. These lecture-recitals will be given in the assembly room at Stanley Hall, Pleasant avenue and Twenty-second street, fortnightly.

Modern English Poetry—Illustrated by Tennyson's "Idylls of the King."

Modern English Poetry—Illustrated by Browning's "Blot on the Scutcheon." The Poets of the Children—Illustrated by Longfellow, Whittier, Emily Dickinson, Stevenson, Patmore, Riley and others.