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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-seventh semi-annual general Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will assemble in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, on Friday, October 5, 1906, at 10 a. m.

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First Presidency Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

DON'T BE FOOLED!

The Rexburg, (Idaho), Standard gives an account of the "graft" which is being worked upon the people of that region by a peddler, who is selling stoves and ranges on terms which he represents as being very much in the interest of the purchaser.

We notice this instance of credulity and poor judgment on the part of people, particularly in country districts, who are open to the wiles of the deceptive peddler, and who are very frequently deceived into purchasing articles that are either comparatively worthless or that might be bought at much less figures at stores conducted by merchants of merit.

We are not intimating that all persons who make their living as peddlers are of the class herein referred to. There are, no doubt, honest retailers of goods traveling from place to place, doing a legitimate business.

People from the country arriving in town on occasions when some great attraction calls them from their home, are likely to be swindled by bogus auction sales and pretended "slaughtering" of goods, and thus induced to pay prices for articles which perhaps they do not need, or which they could buy at home for far less money.

HERE'S A HINT FOR YOU.

Notwithstanding our repeated endeavors to direct our friends at distant points to refer disputes of a local character to the local authorities there, we are in frequent receipt of letters asking the Deseret News questions that ought to be decided where the contentions occur.

on subjects of general import and interest, whether as to doctrine or discipline. But the "News" does not wish to take the place of the Church courts or the local authorities, and therefore is under the necessity of declining to answer many of these queries.

Honor should be rendered to those to whom it is due, and the members of the Church in the different Wards and Stakes of Zion will lose nothing by following that rule.

DECLINE OF THE PULPIT.

A correspondent of the New York Evening Sun asserts that the modern pulpit has lost much of its power to influence men for good. There are, he says, many reasons for this, and one of the principal ones is that the congregations are now better educated than they were formerly, and that the preachers, consequently, cannot interest their hearers, as in days gone by.

This presupposes that unless the occupants of pulpits are great philosophers, historians, or scientists, they can have no influence upon their audiences. It takes for granted that every pulpit ought to be a university chair occupied by some great scholar capable of drawing an audience, by learned lectures on topics of scientific interest.

The apostles of our Lord were similarly endowed. It was the power of the divine Spirit that made their preaching an irresistible force. It was not their oratory, nor their philosophy. Paul warned his hearers against the falsely so-called philosophy of the world, and it was his boast that, when he came to Corinth, he did not come "with excellency of speech or of wisdom."

It was always thus. Doctors of philosophy and theology gladly listened to the humble shoemaker, Jacob Boehme, John Bunyan to this day are profitably studied by scholars as well as the unlearned. Spurgeon used to draw immense crowds to the Metropolitan Tabernacle by the most old-fashioned but earnest appeals to his fellow-men.

That touches a sore spot in the evil complained of. Preaching has been made a business by too many preachers. Being a business man, the preacher can no longer proclaim the truth, as he sees it, but must cater to the taste of those who pay his salary.

THE SULTAN GETS EVEN.

Our government perpetrated a pretty joke, when it expressed the hope that the Turkish Sultan would appreciate the promotion of Mr. Leishman to the office of American Ambassador in Constantinople, when it was well known that the "courtesy" was distasteful to the despot by the Bosphorus.

man and examine his credentials. Ever since last July the farce has been played. Every time Mr. Leishman called in order to have an interview, some European diplomat preceded him and Abdul Hamid, being a sick man, found the talk with this dignitary so severe a tax on his strength, that he sent out a factotum to ask the American to call again.

There can be no doubt that the contempt shown the American minister is prejudicial to our interests in the Turkish empire. For the satellites of the Sultan take their cue from their ruler, and they will imitate him in his conduct toward the United States representative in Constantinople.

A GENEALOGICAL EVENT.

Among the features of the celebration of the first white settlement, 300 years ago, of Jamestown, where John Smith landed in 1607, will be a reunion of the descendants of Pocahontas with the Smith-Ambler and Jacquelin families.

"The first John Smith of Purton, writes a genealogist, was Lieutenant Colonel and speaker of the house of Burgesses in 1674. He married Anna Bernard, daughter of Richard Bernard, and was one of the prominent men whom young Bacon compelled to take the oath at Middle Plantation.

"The young matron was trying to enter the brick top treasure of her neighbor, a striking genius of four years. He gazed long and unabatingly upon her until his stare became oppressive."

"The northern branch of the Smith family is supposed to have moved from Norfolk. According to the records of the town clerk of Hingham, Mass., Henry Smith, his wife, three sons and two daughters settled at that place, coming from Norfolk, in 1838.

General Funston will sign in vain for more Aguinaldos to capture. It wouldn't be well for the Bon to lie down with Lieutenant Lahm.

In Cuba Secretary Taft is not following precedents, he is making them. There seems to be nothing left for Palma, not even the lecture platform.

The cost of wigs is going up. This will be a hair-raiser to the bald-headed. When the First Expeditionary brigade lands in Cuba it will be the land of the free.

Why shouldn't the Davis county fair be excellent? Davis county is one of the fairest in the state.

The Mayor wants judgment suspended, while others want the chief of police suspended. It is a time of great suspense.

The gunners on the Missouri shoot with an accuracy that would have made Daniel Boone and the Kentucky hunters envious.

At Libertyville, Ill., a man ate a pound of Limburger cheese on a wagon, and died. The smell is quite enough to kill an ordinary man.

Governor Winthrop of Porto Rico is to be placed on the Cuban lid. He is Secretary Taft's own selection and presumably has the weight for the place.

The big bunco game scandal refuses to die down. It should be thoroughly investigated and for no ulterior motive. The reputation of the town is largely at stake.

Secretary Taft denies the "rotten elections" interview attributed to him. This is well. It certainly was astonishing that a man in the very delicate and important position he is in Cuba should have expressed himself as he was said to have. It could not have any but a very bad effect on the Moderates if not on the Liberals.

Dr. Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton, declines to become a candidate for the United States senator from New Jersey. Undoubtedly he can do much more good in his own chosen field than he could in the senate.

THE LIMIT OF SAVAGERY.

The Atlanta Lynchers were far more inhuman than those of Springfield. The Missouri mob, they believed that the blacks whom they had caught were proceeding to hang were the guilty ones. They honestly believed that the work in hand was bringing punishment for an unmistakable crime upon the very men and the only men who had committed it.

BIRD SLAUGHTER.

Ladies who patronize the use of birds' feathers in millinery may be interested to know that certain species of birds are threatened with extinction by the prevailing fashion. The French organ, L'Aviculteur, reports that in one market recently, and at one sale, there were disposed of 12,000 humming birds, 28,000 parakeets, 15,000 goldfinches, 20,000 aligrettes and many thousands of other birds of gorgeous plumage.

JUST FOR FUN.

Unblushing Youth. The young matron was trying to enter the brick top treasure of her neighbor, a striking genius of four years. He gazed long and unabatingly upon her until his stare became oppressive.

A Fine Invention. Patent Attorney—Well, what have you invented? Herr Schlaumier—An automatic music stand! when you put your coin in the slot—

Love's Young Dream. "That man is very musical and romantic," said Maude. "Yes," answered Mamie. "He is one of those that hangs over the piano singing 'Every Morn I Send Thee Letters,' but never really produces even as much as a box of candy."

Happy Married? Friend—Wasn't your traveling man formerly your bookkeeper? Merchant—Yes, but he asked for the traveling post soon after he was married.—From Floh.

Tail Ones. The Yankee in England had been talking ever since entering the train, two stops back, about the speed with which buildings were erected in his home town.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS. The following is a list of contents of Appleton's Magazine for October: "The Elephant Trainer and His Pupils," A. W. Rolker; "As a Thief in the Night," a story, Porter Emerson Brown; "The Commercial Annexation of Cuba," Atherton Brown; "The Bridge Warden," Owen O'Brien; "A Lost Mine and a Buried Treasure," Howard Flanagan; "The Essentials," a story, Edith Barnard; "Fables," a poem, Lloyd Osbourne; "Methods of American Private Detective Agencies," Thomas Best; "Children of the Sun," a story, Karl Edwin Harriman; "A Glimpse of Paul Revere and the Colonial Silversmiths," R. T. H. Halsey; "An Affair of Honor," a story, Catherine Thayer; "Song of the Ruby," a poem, Archie Sullivan; "A Overture," Allan L. Benson; "Suzanna's Story," a poem, Katharine H. Breck; "The Future Development of Washington City," Glenn Brown; "In Autumn," a poem, Clinton Scollard; "The Prince of Good Fishing," a serial story, Elizabeth Duer; and "Current Reflections," Edward S. Martin.—436 Fifth Ave., New York.

The Outline Magazine for October covers the better part of three continents with excellent articles. Horace Annoleley Vachell's "Stalking Scottish Humor and Scottish charm," "The English Fox-hunter," by E. F. Dale, has much interesting comment on dogs, and is, as well, a mighty attractive human-interest article. More of Clinton Johnson's remarkable outdoor photographs illustrate his "Farm Life in Iowa." More important than any of these are Dillon Wallace's "The Long Labrador Trail," which leads deeper into the Northern wilds of Lake Umbagog, and John R. Spears' story, "The Buccaneers." Among the practical articles are C. Elliot Flint's answer to the question, "Is Heart Weakness Due to Overwork?" and "The Mental and Physical Limitations of the Horse," an interesting mask-making paper by Joseph V. Quarles, Jr. Some of the most attractive paintings in color of the year appear in this number.—35 and 37 West 81st St., New York.

Z. C. M. I. Conference Reductions. CITY Residents and Out-of-Town Visitors will find exceptional bargains in every department of our store during Conference time. Visitors are cordially invited to inspect the Z. C. M. I. handsome store, with its immense stock of beautiful, well selected goods. It is one of the City's attractions.

Millinery Department Silks and Dress Goods. Two Big Specials—\$3.95 and \$4.95. A COMPLETE LINE of dressy, trimmed hats recently arrived from the east. Our buyer purchased large quantities with a view to this sale, and thus obtained price concessions that will enable us to confound our patrons who are giving them unprecedented values.

Conference Visitors will find at Z. C. M. I. the largest and most complete stocks of Rain Coats, Furs, Wrappers, Robes, Kimonos, and everything else in Ladies', Misses', Children's and Babies' Fall and Winter Ready-to-Wear Goods. All New SUITS Never before was there so large a variety of becoming models. Every type of figure can be suited in the fabrics and colors are so pretty this season, too.

Style, Durability and Comfort in Shoes. In Our Carpet Department. Visitors are cordially invited to call on us. Our carpet department is the most modern in the west, the floor excellent that of the finest dancing pavilion. Our methods of exhibiting rugs, portieres, lace curtains, etc., is the very latest and will interest you.

CONFERENCE LINEN SALE! ALL TABLE LINENS AND NAPKINS will be placed on sale for one week at the following prices. These goods are all of the best quality, manufactured in one of the largest and best factories in the world, that of William Liddell & Co., Belfast, Ireland, who has a world wide reputation for turning out first grade linen.

Hosiery and Underwear. BOYS' AND GIRLS' SCHOOL HOSE—Fast black cotton hose, fine rib, an excellent value at 15c. BOYS' AND GIRLS' BLACK COTTON SCHOOL HOSE in light, medium and heavy weight, made for heavy wear and comfort, price 25c.

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