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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

All the members of the Priesthood
of the Church of Jesus Christ of Lat-
ter-day Saints, residing in wards 1,
2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 31 and 33, in Salt Lake
City, are requested to meet in the As-
sembly Hall, on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 7
o'clock p. m.

The purpose of the meeting is to
transact business looking to the or-
ganization of a stake, the north bound-
ary of which will be Third South and the
west boundary East Temple street.

This meeting is for members of the
Priesthood only, and it is desirable that
only those living in that district be
present at the meeting.

On Friday evening, Feb. 26, at 7:30
o'clock, there will be a meeting of all
members of the Church, in the above
named district, at the Tabernacle to
complete the organization of the stake.
All members of the Church belong-
ing to that district, are invited and
urged to be present on this occasion.

JOSEPH E. SMITH,
JOHN R. WINDER,
ANTHON H. LUND.
Salt Lake City, Feb. 18, 1904.

THE ANIMUS OF THE HERALD

The Salt Lake Herald indulges in an-
other editorial attack on President
Charles Kelly of Brigham City, and
pretends to give this paper some "in-
formation" stating that it is "delighted"
to do so. We are aware that the "Her-
ald" takes great "delight" in furnish-
ing alleged information about affairs
that never "happened," and it engages
in that delightful work in the present
instance. It commences by stating that

"It will be remembered that the peo-
ple of Brigham City charge President
Kelly with using his ecclesiastical posi-
tion to break up the business of a legiti-
mate undertaking, the Box Elder
Academy of Music; they also charge
that he projected his Church office into
the municipal affairs of Brigham City
in an attempt to prevent the consum-
mation of a project for a municipal
electric light and power plant. In con-
nection with this latter interference, it
is alleged that President Kelly was
booked for a present of stock in the
private power company which opposed
the municipal enterprise."

"It will be remembered" that one
anonymous writer has made some in-
definite, unsupported and contradictory
statements through the Herald, which
may perhaps be summed up in the fore-
going Herald editorial paragraph. But
the effusions of that writer simply in-
dicate that he, she or it, is devoid of
ordinary sense and stands unsupported
by "the people of Brigham City" or
anybody else except the editorial writer
on the Herald. It is a worse case than
that of "We the people of England" by
the three tailors of Tooley street, for
they were three, and the Brigham City
drooler is but one, if it is anything more
than a myth or a dummy.

Now as to "the people of Brigham
City." At the stake conference held
there on Sunday and Monday, the peo-
ple of Brigham City voted to sustain
Charles Kelly as President of the Box
Elder Stake of Zion. There was not a
contrary vote either as to him or any
other of the local authorities of that
Stake. Elders Rudger Clawson and
Hyrum M. Smith of the Apostles were
present, and if any person legitimately
interested in such affairs will inter-
rogate them he can learn the facts in the
case without mistake.

Investigation shows that the state-
ments on which the Herald bases its
whole argument, if such it may be
called, are erroneous and misleading,
and unworthy of publication in a re-
spectable paper unless by way of de-
nial. They are libellous also. The story
about President Kelly having received
or been offered "a present of stock" or
any other valuable consideration, for
using his "church office" in an electric
light project, is false and scurrilous,
and has been carefully looked into by
competent persons with the result that,
like the boy's big head and the other
charges made by the Herald, "there is
nothing in it."

Now as to the Herald and "Mr. Kel-
ly's record," and its advice that he
"sing softly" because of an expected
"congressional investigation." The
Herald falsely stated on Saturday that
the gentleman was "arrested in 1899
for polygamy and pleaded guilty." We
replied to that falsehood and now it
tries to shuffle out of its calumny by a
subterfuge that is a "confession and
avoidance," to use its own expres-
sion. It confesses its untruth by im-
plication, and uses avoidance to cov-
er up its evasion. It is like excusing

itself for stating that a man had plead-
ed guilty to murder, when he was only
charged with a simple misdemeanor.
But it is all of a piece with the Her-
ald's course in this controversy.

That paper pretends to be concerned
lest "the course of Mr. Kelly will
place the 'Mormon' Church in a false
position," and that "he is furnishing
ammunition to the enemies of Senator
Smoot." Why, they are two objects
that the Herald evidently has in view.
And it is "delighted" at anything it
can publish to effect them. It has
printed masses of palpable indolence
like that on Sunday morning, with those
purposes in view. Think of parading
under big headlines a proposition from
an unknown, to pay a thousand dollars
to anybody who will prove a negative,
while the challenger ought in common
sense to prove his, hers, or its own af-
firmative! But what has all the rhotom-
ontade about Mr. Kelly to do with
Senator Smoot?

The Herald and other enemies of the
Senator may think they are helping
their cause, by giving to the public and
endorsing the stuff that has found long
space in its columns, but rational read-
ers will wonder what it all has to do
with a congressional investigation or
the question of Reed Smoot's seat in
the United States Senate. If Charles
Kelly of Brigham City has done wrong
ecclesiastically, let a charge be preferred
against him in proper form, and it will
doubtless be fully investigated. If he
is breaking the law as a citizen let him
be charged with it legally.

As to his family affairs there need be
no special or extraordinary inquisition,
the ordinary methods of accusation
and proof are sufficient, and we do not
think there is any need for Mr. Kelly
to "sing very softly at this particular
juncture," more than at any other
time.

In the present attempted agitation, to
which the Herald is lending itself, is it
not extremely fair, and generous, and
magnanimous on the part of a daily
journal, to publish unsupported per-
sonal attacks upon a gentleman in this
State, and when one of his friends re-
plies to them, denying their accuracy,
while the accused says nothing but
minds his own business, to come out in
editorial articles with a recommendation
that he "warble softly" and "sing
very softly," and threaten him with
"congressional investigations," and
other dreadful things, so that he may
be scared into "not opening his mouth?"

We repeat our statement that there
is a right way as well as a wrong way
to proceed in such matters as those in-
volved in alleged transactions at Brigh-
am City. If there is any real griev-
ance there, such as alleged, it can be
rectified, and if any wrong has been
done it can be punished or corrected.
But this stalling in the dark and ac-
cusing good men without real cause, is
miserable business for any person or
paper to be engaged in, and is not
justified either on religious or political
grounds, but should be condemned by
every honorable man and woman in
Utah.

APPENDICITIS.

A doctor, writing in the New York
World on the subject of appendicitis, as-
serts that the disease is on the in-
crease, notwithstanding the fact that
science is fully able to cope with it.
He says that attacks of appendicitis
generally follow severe cases of consti-
pation, and, in his opinion, the in-
crease, of that disease is due to the
fact that people are nowadays eating
too many rich foods, having too many
late suppers, and gorging their whole
systems with too many pastries and
other fancy dishes; and to the fur-
ther fact that they are not using the
proper precautions to keep the waste
eliminators of the body in good work-
ing order. A word to the wise should
be sufficient. Undoubtedly, temperate
living is the best preventive of all kinds
of diseases.

THE CURSE OF WAR.

A writer in a New York contem-
porary—a reverend, by the way—lifts
his voice in defense of war, on the
ground that much good has resulted
from it. He admits, for the sake of ap-
pearances perhaps, that war is a "tre-
mendous evil," but he adds that in-
calculable good has flowed from it. In
war, he argues, men have learned cour-
age and self-sacrifice. Battles, he says,
have been fought that were among the
"holiest events of history." Marathon,
Tours, that stopped the great tidal
wave of Mohammedanism that threat-
ened to roll over Europe; and Lepanto,
that broke the naval power of the fol-
lowers of Mahomet; Yorktown, that
gave us liberty—what are these but
holy names, sacred as any in holy writ?

This is, however, only one side of the
picture. Wars have as often staid the
progress of civilization, as advanced
it. They have devastated countries,
burying in ruins art treasures and
literary treasures, to the infinite loss
of mankind. Wars have brought out
the beast in man, more often than it
has ennobled him. Not a war has been
fought in which all manner of crimes,
including the most degrading, have not
been committed. And this has had a de-
moralizing effect upon the descendants
of warrior nations for several genera-
tions. Savage atrocities are the rules
of war. Even our own military opera-
tions in the Philippines were not en-
tirely free from such deeds, and the
European-American expedition to Pe-
kin was marked with "Christian" bar-
barity, almost beyond belief, when the
fact is considered that the deeds were
mostly committed upon non-combat-
ants. Officers, and soldiers, and even
missionaries, turned common thieves,
broke into houses and stole, appar-
ently without compunction. To ap-
preciate the curse of war, one may
consider the status of Ger-
many, for instance, during and im-
mediately after the Thirty-years' war,
with its cities in ashes, its population
decimated, its industries crippled, and
the country overrun with armies that
had to be supported by some means or
other. *War must always be consid-
ered in the light of divine punishment
upon nations. When misrule has be-
come too flagrant; when immorality

has risen like a flood, and when divine
laws have been trampled under foot,
wars have often come as a punishment.
Pierce warriors have been let loose, to
smash the corrupt government to
pieces, or to extirpate the ungodly. In
this way good has come from wars, as
from other great calamities, sent by
Providence for corrective purposes.
But war should not be necessary in
the divine economy. They will not
be necessary under the perfect rule of
the Son of God. That they still break
out, notwithstanding every human ef-
fort to preserve peace, is a strong proof
that Lucifer still rules this world. The
time should be approaching rapidly,
though, when reason can take the place
of force, self-sacrifice of self-interest.
Then there can be no more war.

HIGHLY COLORED "SUN" RAYS

The Inter-Mountain Catholic has this
editorial note in its latest issue:

The Catholic Sun of Syracuse, N. Y.,
recently published a sketch of the Salt
Lake diocese from the pen of J. T. Mc-
Guire, an ex-mayor of Syracuse. It is
somewhat extravagant in description,
and the wild and woolly features of
early missionary life could be toned
down without detracting from Father
(Bishop) Scanlan's participation in
their dangers. All the same, it is a
clever article, and Salt Lake Catholics
rejoice that their fame abroad is chroni-
cled in such an influential paper as the
Catholic Sun.

The Deseret News takes pleasure in
endorsing those remarks. The article
referred to has some good things to
say concerning Utah and its people
showing the intention of the writer to
speak of men and things as he finds
them. But his eulogies are a trifle
highly colored and that is a reason
why we did not reproduce them from
the Sun. His pen pictures of Father
Scanlan though somewhat strongly
tinted are sufficiently true to life to
show up his true character, and must
be gratifying to his immediate friends,
and particularly those who know him
best. The endeavors of the writer to
put the majority of Utah's people in
a fair light before the country ought
also to be fully appreciated.

OUR SUGAR INDUSTRY.

The Portland Oregonian has this to
say about the Utah sugar industry:

The cultivation of sugar beets and the
manufacture of beet sugar was begun
in Utah about twelve years ago, at
Lehi. The industry had a hard struggle
to maintain itself for the first five
years, but its projectors persevered,
farmers learned how to process the
crop required, and the venture finally
became a financial success. As a direct
result of this experiment seven other
factories have been established—five in
Utah, one in Colorado, and one in this
state—each of which is prosperous, both
as a business and an industrial venture,
with excellent prospects of continued
growth. The total output of the Utah
factories in refined sugar in 1903 was
50,000,000 pounds. Stockholders in
these plants do not fear a decrease in
demand for this product. Americans
are great sugar consumers, and the in-
crease of production from year to year
barely keeps pace with the increased
consumption. The enormous increase
in candy manufacture tells a story of
demand that sugar manufacturers are
glad to bear. This, taken in conjunc-
tion with the fact that upon the table
of every industrious workingman sugar
is found three times a day, reveals the
source of the demand that a yearly in-
creasing output of sugar factories can
alone supply."

Some people are keeping Lent and many broke.

Russia favors the open door in the
Dardanelles.

The San Dominicans are benderlogs
and they yet be treated as such.

Everybody observed Washington's
birthday but not all his example.

Russia has got the old man of the sea
on her back and cannot get him off.

The Russian censorship seems to be
several removes from being removed.

To secure preference in the matter
of having claims paid always blockade.

In the end the sympathies of most
people will be found on the side, that
wins.

If dollar and seven cents wheat
means more health foods, "Ah! Woe is
me Alhema."

Why does Japan threaten to take
field, having taken about everything
else in sight?

Ignorance of the whereabouts and do-
ings of the hostile fleets is not bliss to
the war correspondents.

Much as he loves hunting and the
roughing it life, Mr. Roosevelt has no
desire to join Japan in her great bear
hunt.

There were six thousand duels in Ger-
many last year with only twenty-five fa-
talities. Duelling is a pretty safe busi-
ness in Germany.

Colonel Watterson and Mr. Bryan
both berate Mr. Cleveland, who pursues
the even tenor of his way. At times
one is reminded of a three-fingered cir-
cus.

Another crank has been arrested at
the White House. These cranks should
be put in the Army and Navy medical
museum and preserved as rare specim-
ens.

Russia is very anxious to get her
Black Sea fleet into the Mediterranean.
To get them through the Dardanelles
it will have to be as ships that pass in
the night.

It is said China may not remain neu-
tral very long. She will greatly de-
ceive herself if she thinks she can uti-
lize Secretary Hay's note to pull chest-
nuts out of the fire.

"It is due Senator Smoot to recognize
the fact that he has not yet appealed to
the judgment of his countrymen with a
technicality," says the Butte Inter-
Mountain. And he never will.

By using Russian signals the Japs
have succeeded in decoying four tor-
pedo boats from Port Arthur and cap-

turing them. Surely that was a sig-
nal success on the part of the Japs.

Russia complains to the powers that
Japan is continually breaking the law
of nations. Now the real trouble is
that, up to date, Japan is sorely be-
laboring Russia and the latter does not
like it.

The great principle of arbitration has
scored a signal triumph in the final
disposal of the claims against Venezu-
ela by The Hague tribunal. Great
Britain, Germany and Italy get the
preference they contended for. Arbitra-
tion is a grand thing.

MARCUS ALONZO HANNA.

Fresno Democrat.

In the death of Marcus Alonzo Hanna
the country has lost one of its most re-
markable figures, as well as one of its
great men. This will be freely admit-
ted by men of all parties and shades
of belief since the bitterness of partisan
conflict is stilled in the visitation of
death.

Los Angeles Express.

He was not an idealist by any means,
nor yet a demagogue, but a plain, blunt
speaking man whose intense loyalty to
his friends was the occasion of subject-
ing him to more or less adverse criti-
cism. His espousal of Hatbom's
cause, his attitude toward the discredit-
ed Perry Heath may be attributed to
past devotion received at their hands.

Chicago Record-Herald.

The humane side of the man was
strong, revealing itself in the varied
relations and manifold activities of his
life. His identification with the Na-
tional Civic Federation and the work of
finding some peaceful and permanent
adjustment of the differences between
capital and labor bore the stamp of sin-
cerity and honest purpose.

Los Angeles Times.

Like most men of strong character
and positive opinions, Senator Hanna
had enemies—and they were not all of
them outside of his own political party.
But he had strong friendships as well
as enemies. The deep and abiding
friendship which subsisted between
Senator Hanna and the lamented Presi-
dent McKinley will be remembered as
one of the pleasant episodes in public
life.

Pueblo Chieftain.

Six years ago Mark Hanna was one
of the most hated and the most gen-
erally abused men in the United States.
Today his name stands in the front
rank of American citizens, and there
are few whose death would be more
generally or more sincerely mourned.

New York World.

Powerful as Mr. Hanna's influence
has been in Republican politics since
the first nomination of McKinley, his
death at this time will have little ef-
fect upon the course of events. The
nomination of President Roosevelt has
been certain for the last three months,
and the senator's health and his inclin-
ation would have kept him from tak-
ing the active management of the cam-
paign.

Kansas City Times.

It is no reflection on the memory of
Mr. Hanna, but rather a distinct tribute
to his attractive individuality, to say
that he was able to do without popular
censure, things which a different sort
of a man would not have been per-
mitted to do without strenuous protest.

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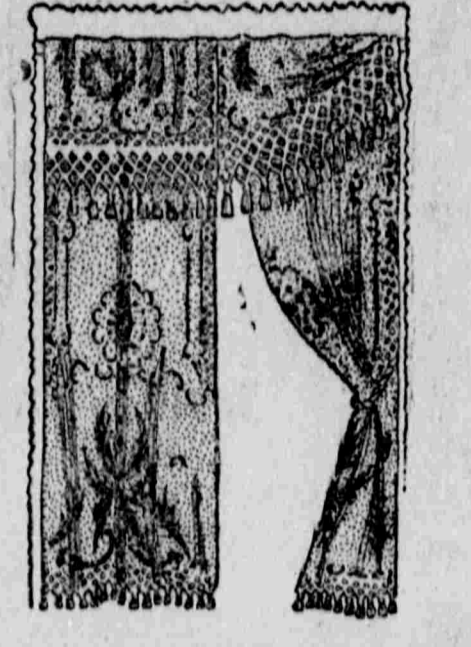
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