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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-fifth Semi-annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, commencing on Thursday, October 6, 1904.

A general attendance on that day of the officers and members is requested and expected.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHONY H. LUND, First Presidency.

THE PAVING PROBLEM.

One of the problems confronting our city fathers just now is that of street paving. The cost of the work and material in these business streets that have been paved is already enormous.

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From this it is clear that the powers by signing the Hague convention, formally bound themselves to offer mediation of their own initiative, and not wait until asked to intervene.

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The following topics were given, in some provinces, for the candidates to discuss: "What advantages are to be derived from the study of foreign agriculture, commerce, industries and systems of government? Which western nations have paid the most attention to education and what has been the result in each? Which are the best colonizers? Why is the government of Switzerland, though weak, independent of the surrounding great powers? Is it due to the education, the industry and the patriotism of her people? What

the head by these missiles were practically decapitated. The evidence was plain, and no denials by Russian authority can alter the fact that many Japanese were mangled and killed by dum-dum bullets in the charges that witnessed."

This is very strong evidence that the complaints of the Japs are not without cause, and that the denials of the Russians are not to be relied upon. Until the war is over, however, and the details are made matters of history, the dispute will remain open, and the public will have to decide according to the best judgment that can be had on the testimony at hand.

SPEAKING OF MEDIATION.

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were the educational systems of Sparta, and Athens? What is the reason of the naval strength of Great Britain and how could it be imitated by China? Which nation has the best system of duties? Trace the geological ages of the earth."

THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

Our little war in Virginia has various satisfactory features, chief among which is the fact that it is bloodless. Another is the discovery that the country may have made the mistake of underestimating for a considerable time the military capacity of one more member of the Grant family.

From this, and from other information that comes from time to time, it appears that China is commencing to realize her national need. The hour of awakening seems to have come. If the Chinese are anything like their Japanese neighbors, it will not be long before they will have to be reckoned with.

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The civilians who gathered to see the Manassas maneuvers did not find them impressive or picturesque, we fear. They heard the boom of artillery, the ripping reports of magazine guns and the crackling of small-arm fire, but there was no rolling of smoke from the mouths of field pieces and no sulphurous pall, enveloping and lifting to tell where the battle was raging fiercely.

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