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CHURCH CHRONOLOGY.

Through arrangements made with Elder Andrew Jenson, the Church has become the owner of the valuable work of reference known as Church Chronology, which was published by Elder Jenson a few years ago, and which gave universal satisfaction as a popular work of date pertaining to Church history. The first edition, consisting of 5,000 copies, has been out of print for some time; and a new edition, improved and enlarged, is about to be published from the Historian's office. It will contain an epitome of Church history from the beginning of the present century to date of publication, and no effort is being made by the Church historian and his assistants to make it as accurate and free from errors as close attention and diligent searching of original documents can make it. In all its details, so that to the pioneer of a more detailed history of the Church it may, as a book of dates, prove a valuable work of reference in the Latter-day Saints' community and to all who are interested in their history and doctrines.

In order to guard against possible criticism, we desire the cooperation of all veterans and others in the Church who may possess dates of importance. The proposed edition of Church Chronology should under proper date section every important event that has transpired in the Church, both at home and abroad. It should include the organization of branches and wards in the different States of Zion, the establishment of missions and the organization of important branches and conferences in our respective missionary fields, dates of meetings, officers and important movements of our Elders and other members of the Church for the Gospel's sake; organizations and dissolutions of the power of Bishoprics and Presidencies and those in the Church, including the Elders who have died in the missionary fields, incidents of pioneer life and such other matter as may be of general interest.

Those of our brethren who may have discovered errors or omissions in the former edition of Church Chronology are also kindly supposed to draw attention to the same that such mistakes may be corrected in the new edition.

In order to apply the authorized subscription demand for a work of character of this kind, an edition of 2,000 copies will be issued from the press in October next, and the profits arising from the sale of the same will be set aside as the commencement of a fund to be expended in the erection of a new Historian's office, together with a fireproof building in which to preserve the records and literature of the Church. Such a building has been needed for a long time, and its erection has only been postponed from time to time for the want of means.

We trust that the Latter-day Saints will manifest a general interest in this enterprise both by subscribing the required data and by patronizing the work after it is published.

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REMEMBER THE MAINE.

Sunday, July 24th being fast day, apart for the First Presidency of the Church as a day on which to hold memorial services and take up collections for the monument to be raised in honor of the American sailors that lost their lives in the harbor of Havana, the Cuban-Spanish possession, we feel safe in saying that day is the appointed one. The saints in Utah always have regarded "Memorial Day" as one of special interest to them. This year it will be none doubt be, when the gratitude of the people to God's Providence that led them to this land of promise and here poured out abundant blessings upon them, shall find expression in a liberal response to the patriotic appeal that has requested us to commemorate the brave sailors—the pioneers in the war for the liberation of Cuba—referred to.

It will be remembered that about two the beginning of the Cuban troubles, at home and abroad, some intimated that we were going to join with the Americans because the United States seemed so anxious for Utah, although it was well known that the country contained millions of people to four thousand, and whether right or wrong, the Spanish people regarded the sympathy of the United States government with which were Mormon by birth, as a disposition on the part of our government to favor the cause of the Cubans, which was sufficient to make it our duty to be neutral. We have neither sympathy nor prejudice in the matter, but we do feel that the Maine incident, which was considered by the Spaniards as a deliberate act of war, was a most unfortunate affair, and we feel that the Spanish people should be given time to investigate the matter before they are called upon to make any reparation for the loss of the Maine and her brave crew.

We have no sympathy with the Cuban cause, but we do