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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The First Presidency will preside at the Tabernacle meetings on the Sabbath Day. The members of the Tabernacle choir are invited to be prompt in attendance and we hope the Bishops will relieve them as far as possible from ward duties that would interfere with their attendance on Sundays in the Tabernacle.

The Presidencies of the new stakes will take seats on the stand.

All the High Councilors and Presidencies of the High Priest's Quorums will take seats on the South side of the stand, and Bishops and counselors on the North side of the stand.

The retiring Presidency of the Salt Lake Stake will continue to occupy their geats. JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND,

A SUDDEN BEREAVEMENT.

First Presidency.

The sudden demise of Dennis C Elchnor, District Attorney for the Third Judicial District of Utah, is startling news, carrying deep grief to many thousands of admiring friends of the departed. That he had been ailing three years and six months. And he prayed again and the heavens gave

this country. It is illegal to practice ion are entirely ignorant even of the polygamy in Canada The foregoing appears in some of the papers in the northwest and needs brief correction. There is no need for any "scare" about a "Mormon in- ligion is involved. vasion," either in Canada or elsewhere. A rumor of this sort has been raised periodically for a great many years, contact Formerly it was Mexico that was al- | greatest leged to be the place for the hegira. It is now simply transferred to Canada. The truth is that the "Mormon" settlements in Alberta are flourishing like other colonies of Latter-day Saints, and they form such a desirable class of industrial citizens that they are welcomed and invited to make homes there. But there is no rush in that direction nor any great numbers of removals to Canadian points. A few families move there as opportunities open, but Utah is good enough for most of them. It is to be expected that sectorian preachers will attack "Mormonism," about which they are usually as ignorant as horses, but that signiles nothing unless it is intolerance and jealouny. As to polygamy, it is just as illegal to practice it in Utah as it is in Canada. Morn on colonists are

points than the supply will furnish. NOT ALWAYS A PROPHET.

Many people, including some of the great men of the nation, do not seem to comprehend how a man can be a Prophet, Seer and Revelator by divine appointment and inspiration, and yet on ordinary occasions be like a com-

mon man with human imperfections and failings. They seem not to sens: the teaching of ancient scripture,

"For the prophecy came not of old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved upon by the Holy Ghost."-II Peter i

The Prophet Joseph Smith had oc casion frequently to set people right on this point. Their notions about the appearance, manners and deportment of a prophet were imbibed from tradition, and pictures drawn from imagina. tion like those which represent angels as beings with wings, half woman, half bird, both nonsensical and untrue. The following extract from his daily journal touches the matter directly:

"Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1843. "This morning I read German, and visited with a brother and sister from Michigan, who thought that "a Pro-phet is always a prophet," but I told them that a Prophet was a prophet only when he was acting as such.'

A little reflection and an ordinary understanding of Biblical doctrine would show that men of God were inspired to speak and write his word when "the Spirit of the Lord came upon them." It is declared of them like it is said of Elias:

"Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnest-ly that it might not rain; and it rained not on the earth by the space

history of "Mormonism," not to say anything of its doctrines; or, that they are utterly indifferent as to whether they state facts or not when that re-

"Mormonism" has never almed at 1solation; and has never suffered from civilization. The with efforts of the Latter. Saints have been put forth to overcome the isolation, to which mobs thought they could doom them, in the hope, no doubt, that destruction would overtake them. One of the first attempts by the Saints, when they had found a refuge in the then wilderness was to bridge the wide gulf between them and civilization, and to make isoation isolation no more. They have abored for this incessantly. They have taken their stand in the front ranks of educators, and devotees of arms and sciences. They know that the worst energies of "Mormonism," as of all truth, are ignorance, prejudice, bigotry and those afflicted with such mental deformities, and that friends for the Church are always made among the inelligent, enlightened and liberty-loving classes. The opening of the Pacific in much greater demand at different railroad was an event of joy to Utah and the Church members. The only forces "Mormonism" has to fear are

those that disseminate the seeds of sin and unrighteousness among the members, particularly those that are at work in the dark. But even these will be overcome. For the Lord's hand is over His people, and its destiny is assured.

SAN BERNARDINO PIONEERS.

A very interesting book has been published in California, called the "History of San Bernardino Valley, from he Padres to the Pioneers." It takes in the period from 1810 to 1851. It has some particulars with kindly mention about the "Mormon" settlement of San Bernardino, a part of which is hereto appended. The author is Rev. Father Juan Caballeria, and it appears that his work has been in much demand. Mr. Wm. J. Silver of this city has a copy and sent to Father Caballeria for another, and received the following letter, which we publish because of its liberal expressions towards our people:

"Los Angeles, Cal., March 19, 1904. 'Mr. Wm. J. Silver, Salt Lake:

"Dear Sir-In answer to your favor 14'h inst., I have to say that the His-tory of Santa Barbara is out of print, as the whole edition is sold. Some time this year we will print the second edi-tion and I may be able to send a copy o you. As you say the "Mormon" ploneers were good people and it is but just to say so, especially today when some people take pleasure in running them down. Let us do our best in the world, in the assurance that God will bless us all; and there is no necessity for us to hind fault with our fellow men.

"Believe me to be sincerely yours, "FATHER CABALLERIA." Here are a few paragraphs from the

Russia will throw it into China before the thing is settled.

> The Japanese are on the Yalu and the Russians are on the qui vivo.

The sheep and cattlemon should be able to get together without locking horns.

In the matter of cleaning up back yards, never put off till tomorrow what can be done today.

Raising the price of flour because the "roads are bad" is a very bad excuse for a very bad practice,

No matter how often or in what manner the beef trust is attacked, it always manages to light on all fours.

The man who, this kind of weather, doesn't get the spring fever, is fit for treason, strategems and spoils.

When the Jap squadron reaches the mouth of the Yalu it will do something more than make mouths at the Russlans,

Several of the leading universities are beginning to teach life insurance. Very good indeed, but still no substitute for teaching the way of life.

Bicyclist may be permitted to violate the city ordinance regarding riding on the sidewalks but they should not be allowed to exceed the speed limits laid down by the law.

A Philadelphia belle who was caugat in the street and hugged by a negro said after her escape that she supposed at first that one of her friends was trying to surprise her. Her friend couldn't

have surprised her more.

One of Jersey City's citizens has just obtained a verdict against a Brooklyn railroad at the rate of three hundred and fifty-seven dollars an hour for being imprisoned. Surely those were golden hours.

So ex-Congressman Tim Campbell is dead. In his time he was famous as the author of the saying, "You shouldn't let the Constitution stand between friends." Too frequently the Constitution is made to stand 'round instead of statesmen and politicians being made to stand 'round.

According to th report of Consul Lay at Barcelona the attempt on King Alfonso's life was merely a gas explosion and not the bursting of a bomb. In explaining the official accounts of the incident let it be remembered that Spain is the land of Don Quixote.

> Speaking at the Periodical Publishers' Association dinner, President Roosevelt said, among other things: "I think that we of the United States

the government are not the representa-

tives of the people but the people them-

selves." 'That is to say, the men re-

sponsible for the government are "It."

"The Acorn" is the titled of a very

neat and interesting school magazine,

published in Ogden city, by the stu-

dents of the W ber Stake Academy,

Joseph Stimpson Editor-in-chief, with

a corps of assistants and contributors.

The initial number contains a bio-

graphical sketch, with portraits, of the

Presidency of the Weber Stake of Zion.

Elders L. W. Shurtliff. C. F. Middleton

and N. C. Flygare, besides a number

of articles on subjects appropriate to



for some time was known and regretted; but no forebodings of a serious character, so far as we have heard, were entertained by anyone. The sad tidings, therefore, came with a suddenness that occasioned a severe shock, and the Deseret News shares in the general sorrow that is felt. We have always regarded Dennis Eichnor as a fair-minded, honorable and affable gentleman. He has proved an able public officer, a vigorous prosecutor, a wellread attorney and a faithful representative of the people, throughout his official career. He was withal an astute and far-seeing politician, and served his party with a zeal and fidelity that secured the confidence and esteem of his associates. His talents as a lawyer, a conductor of important cases, a pleader at the bar and an indefatigable worker in legal matters, are well known and generally appreciated. His pleasant bearing and kindly nature endeared him to all classes of the community, and the mourning at his unexpected taking away from us will be universal. An office is left vacant that it will not be easy to fill, a home is deprived of its leading spirit, and the family so suddenly bereaved have the deepest sympathy in their sorrow. This is a public loss, and Dennis Elchnor will be sadly missed from the circles in which he moved with such distinguished prominence and fraternal affection. God comfort the dear ones whom he has left in tears!

NOT HER ANCESTOR

In our London letter published March 26, not in an editorial as asserted, was an item which has been "going the rounds" about Mrs. Eddy of "Christian Science" fame being a descendant of Sir John McNeil of Edinburgh. It appeared originally in the Ladies' Home Journal, in an article said to have been prepared under Mrs. Eddy's personal supervision. A refutation of the story was published in the London Truth showing that the claim was baseless and false. We are now in receipt of a letter from M. H. Lincicome of Ogden, stating that the matter was fully corrected some time ago in the Christian Science Sentinel. It was admitted that the claim was made in the biographical sketch about Mrs. Eddy, as "the source of information seemed to be authentic," but that as there is no "positive proof that Sir John McNeil was her ancestor, Mrs. Eddy requests "that all others writing upon her blography shall in future observe this correction." We give the correction this notice, not that we think the matter of any public moment, but in order that it may not be thought the "News" desires to be unfair with anybody.

COLONISTS AND CANADA,

"A special dispatch to the Portland Telegram from vancouver, B. C., says: There is a great scare in the Northwest territories over the Mormon in-vasion. Hundreds of followers of Mormonism, it is said, are setting in Al-berta and the newcomers are sending for more of their associates. In a ser-mon delivered at Edmonton last Bun-day, Rev. D. G. McQueen one of the most protections. most noted divines in the Canadian West, made a strong attack on Mor-monism. He declared that there is undoubted proof that the Mormons are aiming to control the government of the territories and he strongly urged the people of other sects to be watch-ful of the growth of Mormonism in

rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit."-James v, 17, 18. ists:

People who think the Latter-day Saints regard every word uttered by their leaders on any occasion as "the word of God." are entirely mistaken. It is only when they speak under the nower and influence of the Holy Ghost that the word and will of the Lord are manifested, and it is the privilege of every man and woman who obeys the Lord's commands to receive of the same spirit and know of the doctrine whether it be of God or of man. See John vil, 17; Doc. and Cov. Sec. 68, 4.

UTAH AS IT IS.

The long looked for volume with the above title has at length been issued and is now ready for the public. It is a comprehensive work, but its stories and details are briefly told. When it is understood that its 640 pages, including index, comprises the chief points in the history of the State and a summary of prominent incidents in the progress of the Church, with biographical sketches of a large number of ladies and gontlemen who have figured in the upbuilding of Utah and the development of its varied resources and industries, it will be readily seen that brevity was essential in its production. The style is that of the vigorous and versatile author, so well known in Utah journalism. "Essay Caigh's" (S. A. Kenner's) original and pointed manner of expression is easily recognized, and gives added interest to the information with which the work abounds. The portraits and other illustrations that adorn the book are more than ordinarily good and accurate, and the whole volume is valuable for reference as well as for entertainment. We commend it to our friends and to the general public.

ISOLATION NOT DESIRED.

A correspondent of the New York Evening Post makes a plea for Russia and points out that if that country is kept isolated, and prevented from obtaining outlets to the Pacific, and the Mediterranean, its peculiarities will continue, but if it is permitted to expand and come in contact with civiliza. tion, it will in time be transformed and be like unto the rest of the world. In illustration of this view he quotes

a paragraph from the New York Times, in which the writer tells what he suppreses he knows about "Mormonism "Mermonism," it will be noted, is a quite popular subject at present, almost as popular as the war in Asia, so there is a peculiar fitness in the comparison between "Mormonism" and Russia. Very peculiar! The idea of the New York Times is:

"Mormonism, or any other lsm, connot subsist and grow when once the normal civilization of the times catches Mormonism, in particular, has grown and thriven by its isolation. When it lay off in the heart of the Great American Desert' and had to be treeked' to by slow and painful stages, the 'peculiar people' might remain pe-culiar. But the opening of the Pacific railroad was the beginning of the end. Once brought into relations with the general current of American life, Mor-monism was doomed. The only ques. ion left was of the rapidity of its extinction.

The paragraph may not be particularly strong as a searchlight revealing the consequences of Russian isolation, or expansion, but it certainly reveals the

book relative to the "Mormon" coloncannot keep too fresh in our minds the fact that the men responsible for

"It was toward the salose of the war between the United States and Mexico regiment was recruited from that a among the Mormons for service in the S. army. This regiment was known as the Mormon Battalion, After their return from Mexico they were quarterd for some time in Southern California and while here received final dis-charge from service. They were lawbiding, God-fearing men and gained the respect of the people of California, indeed, the citizens of San Diego found hem so useful and desirable as neighpors that a general petition was circuated and signed by every inhabitant of the town requesting them to make permanent settlement among them, and many of them remained in that part of California

Captain Jefferson Hunt was the first of the Mormons to come into San Bernardino valley and it was chiefly through his efforts that the Mormons ionized here. He was a man of more than average energy and ability and whose honesty and integrity of characer was unquestioned.

"In March, 1851, a large party of emigrants, consisting of about 500 persons, with cattle, horses, etc., left Salt Lake or San Bernardino valley. This train vas under command of Captain Hunt, who was to take the lead and pilot them through to their destination. As it was mpossible for them to travel as on company, on account of scarcity of for ge and water in crossing the desert he train was divided into three sec-lons. The first section, under Captain Hunt, came into Sun Bernardino Val-ley and encamped at Sycamore Grove, at the mouth of Cajon Pass, on St. ohn's day, the 24th of June, 1851. "Amaşa Lyman and Charles C. Rich.

wo of the original Twelve Apostles of righam Young, were with this party f colonists. They at once opened netiations with the Lugos for the pur-ase of the Rancho de San Bernardino uring the summer the transfer was ented and they took possession of property. The purchase price was The colonists did not have th noney to pay for the property and El-lers Lyman and Rich, with Captain Hunt as agent, went to San Francisco where they negotiated a loan for the impount. The money was borrowed of Haywood and Morley and was paid in ree installments.

'It is not within the province of this hapter to criticize or discuss doctrinal oints, tenets of faith or the circumstances which brought the Mormon Thurch into conflict with the govern-ment of the United States. It is suffielent to say that the Mormons who frat came to San Bernardino Valley who ere ideal colonists. They were farm rs, mechanics and artizans of the va-lous crafts. So far as material ad antages went there was perfect equal-ty. There was wealth and no poverty mong them. The system upon which he government of the Mormon Church yas based was purely patriarchal and was carried out in the religious, do-nestic and social life of the Mormon coble. They were the extreme of convatives, and sufficient unto themves did not desire or tolerate outside illuence or interference. As a commu-ity they were honest, industrious, lawhiding, peaceful citizens, and under heir thrifty management the beautiful alley blossomed into marvelous pro-uctiveness. The Church laws were suf-cient to regulate all public matters mill state laws were established. All were carried into the Church council and there submitted to arbitration. There was no arbeal to other tribunal. Their moral conduct was beyond re-Idleness, drunkenness, gamling and vice was unknown among hem until a later day when another class of people came to mingle with them, "Such were the people who colonized San Bernardino Valley. Let credit and honor be given where credit and honor

are due. What's the matter with Kansas? Nothing but a blizzard this time.

orable and disturbing trade conditions should be obvious to all.

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tained the reasons for our steadily increasing business even in the face of many unfav-

porting from first hands and in large quantities was the purpose of its promoters."

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