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CHANGE OF FAST DAY.

The Saints of Pioneer, Liberty, Salt
Lake, and Kneishn stakes, will please
notice that the next Fast day, by order
of the First Presidency, will be ob-
served in those stakes on the last Sun-
day of this month, May 29, instead of
the first Sunday of June, owing to the
fact that the conference of the Mutual
Improvement Associations convenes on
the latter date.

THE WAR NEWS.

The news from the seat of war in
Asia continues very much in favor of
Russia. At first it seemed as if the
crossing of the Yalu was but the be-
ginning of a triumphant march to
Mukden, the capital of Manchuria, if
not to Harbin, but it is evident that
General Kuroki has met some serious
obstacle in his road, and that his ad-
vance has been halted.

The next war news was to the effect
that the Japanese would stake much
on the taking of Port Arthur. On the
20th of this month it was reported that
heavy firing had been heard in the di-
rection of that port, and that the Ja-
panese had made all preparations for a
simultaneous land and sea attack. A
bombardment, it was said, had com-
menced with the view of finally reduc-
ing the place.

If the latest reports are true, the at-
tempt must have miscarried. For it is
reported in St. Petersburg that the Ja-
panese have been repulsed with a loss
of 15,000 men. To add to the disaster,
Japan is said to have lost three cruisers,
which not only are lost to Japan, but
are added to the enemy's fleet, because
they were captured. It certainly now
looks as if there had been a turn in
the tide in favor of Russia. Still, the
news coming over St. Petersburg and
Paris may have to be discounted some-
what.

The report has it that the Japanese
lost 15,000 men and the Russians 3,000.
That must have been a great battle.
The casualties in modern warfare are
generally less than they were formerly.
Detailed news of the engagement
will therefore be eagerly looked
for. It seems certain that
Japan is up against reverses
of a serious nature. Particularly dis-
astrous are the naval losses. If Rus-
sia, by the capture or destruction of
Japanese vessels, and by the addition
of the Baltic fleet, obtains the mastery
of the sea, Japan's armies now oper-
ating on the main land will be practically
cut off from their base of supply, and
Russia can take her time driving them
"into the sea."

We believe, though, that Japan must
put forth all her strength for victory.
With that country it is a question of
life and death. Her statements so re-
gard it, and they are, no doubt, cor-
rect. Once before, so the story goes,
Russia planned an invasion of Japan,
but was prevented by France. If Ja-
pan is defeated now, it is a question
whether any power on earth could pre-
vent Russia from dealing a crushing
blow.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The sealer of weights and measures,
it is said, has determined upon a cru-
ade against all dealers and peddlers
who are using short weights and mea-
sures. That there are many who are
guilty of this practice there is no doubt.
This is particularly so as regards the
flourishing peddlers, who go about the
city disposing of inferior stuff at short
measure. Many of them seem to re-
gard the public not as patrons but as
legitimate prey, and any scheme, no
matter how rascally, that insures them
an increased profit, is readily adopted.
There is scarcely a house wife in the
town who could not give many experi-
ences of being swindled by vegetable
peddlers. Occasionally one hears of a
dealer who gives "such good measure,"
which simply means an honest measure.
It is so rare as to call forth remarks.
It should not be this way. That which
should occasion surprise is a short
weight or measure.

If people are content to accept twelve
ounces as a pound and a pint and a
half as a quart, the dealers will, as a
rule, be content to give them twelve
ounces for a pound and a pint and a
half for a quart. The dealers who do

this (they are not a majority by a long
way) are instinctively dishonest, and
when caught in their dishonesty they
should be punished to the full extent of
the law, for they have no excuse for
doing wrong, for the care to have short
weights and measures proves this. If
the measure itself is honest, some deal-
ers are very particular to make a great
big dent in it that its capacity may
be reduced. All such practices are
nothing but robbery and should be pun-
ished as such.

The dealers who resort to dishonest
means to increase their profits cannot
be justified, but those whose business
it is to see that their weights and mea-
sures are up to the required stand-
ard have not always been attentive to
their duties; and in so far as they have
been negligent, they, too, are to blame.

The sealer of weights and measures
will have the support of the public in
the good work he has begun. Let him
keep it up.

IN FAVOR OF HONESTY.

The Pacific Monthly is an illustrated
magazine published in Portland, Ore-
gon, and edited by Mr. William Bittle
Wells. Its May number has several
interesting features. Among these are
the various "departments" covering
current events of general importance.
Under the caption "Impressions," the
author, Mr. Charles Erskine Scott
Wood, writes about "Summer Smith,
Hero," "Power and the Police," "Law
Makers and Law Breakers," "An
"Anarchist," "The Drift Toward So-
cialism," and "The Smoot Case." What
the author has to say of this case de-
serves to be widely read. Undoubtedly
he expresses the sentiments of a great
many who do not care to give publicity
to what they think on a much debated
question. We quote the following:

"Decidedly, monogamy is the last
and the best word of civilized society.
Decidedly, polygamy is not the ideal,
but I for one never have been able to
understand why, if the arrangement
suits the men and women concerned—as
it suited the patriarchs of the Bible—
clergymen or anybody else should
have the power, forcibly, to disrupt the
entire arrangement, brand the off-
spring with a curse and punish those
who have been attending strictly to
their own affairs, but knowing as I
know, and as every one knows, that
not all congressmen are perfect, I have
been concerned with a certain hypocri-
sies and a certain lack of fundamental
truth in this Smoot investigation."

"Now, the opposition to Smoot be-
gan solely on the ground of polygamy;
not that he was indicted by a
church. For example, let us suppose
that some senator, as an ardent son
of the Roman Catholic church, took his
political instructions from that church;
he would attempt for that reason to
unseat him. Any way, the attack on
Smoot was for polygamy, and it must
be remembered he himself is not a
polygamist, nor does he believe in
polygamy. He is a Mormon, but sup-
pose he is a polygamist. Even so, it
seems to me there is a lamentable
failure in candor and consistency in
the attempt to unseat him. Had Smoot
kept an establishment in New York,
with illegitimate children attached,
branding both mother and children as
infamous, who would undertake to un-
seat him for this reason? The honor-
able senators would say that it was his
private affair; none of their business."

"There is a dearth of sincere and honest
endeavor on the part of many
good people to make others good by
force, according to the views of the
good ones, and there is a dearth of down-
right hypocrisy in the world; and
against both, as long as I am permitted
to do so, I shall raise my protest."

ENGLAND IN TIBET.

Advices from St. Petersburg state
that the British expedition into Tibet
is very distasteful to the Russian gov-
ernment, and causing a very bitter feel-
ing toward England. The Russians be-
lieve that Great Britain is taking ad-
vantage of Russia's misfortunes to dis-
turb the equilibrium in Eastern Asia,
and when the time comes for a settle-
ment Great Britain will be called upon
to pay. It is recalled that when Eng-
land had her hands full in South Africa
Russia did not make a move which
would be offensive to London. England,
it is thought, ought to have reciprocated
the courtesy. There is, however, no
fear for the final outcome of the war
with Japan, and when victory is won,
England, it is asserted, will be called
upon to surrender any advantage it
may have gained in Tibet.

The first published excuse for the in-
vasion of Tibet by Mr. Younghusband's
military expedition was the reasonable
desire on the part of Great Britain to
impress upon the authorities of that
exclusive country, the necessity of ob-
serving treaty obligations. It had also
been reported that the Dalai Lama had
sent gifts to the Russian Czar through a
Russian subject, and this seemed to
call for some kind of protest. Gradu-
ally, however, it became apparent that
England's designs were of greater im-
portance than at first thought. The
London Times expressed the opinion
that the expedition meant much more
than the correction of Tibet—that it
meant the final, definite closing of ave-
nues for Russian interference in that
country. A writer in one of the maga-
zines went further, and stated that the
British column must not stop short of
the gates of Lhasa and must not re-
turn without leaving a proper force
behind, together with a capable resi-
dent. Now it has been announced in
the House of Lords, by Lord Hardwicke,
that Great Britain is at war with Tibet.
That means, of course, that the British
flag is to be floated over Lhasa.

In view of these facts Russia is cer-
tainly right in feeling hurt at the ad-
vantage Great Britain has taken of her
preoccupation with Japan, to adjust
the differences with Tibet. But has not
Russia, in Manchuria established a
troublesome precedent? The govern-
ment that has gone to war for a di-
vision of China, while giving assurances
that no such action was contemplated,
cannot moralize upon the perfidy of the
policies of other nations.

UTAH EDITORS COMMENDED.

The following notice anent the visit
of the Utah Editors to the World's
Fair appears in the St. Louis World:

"The Utah Editorial Association is
entitled to a prize for its sensible ac-
tion with regard to the World's Fair.
The Utah editors came here to attend
the Press Parliament, and incidentally
to hold the annual business meeting of
their own association. Editors from
many other states are here for the same
purpose, but it remained for the Utah

scribes to set a really brilliant exam-
ple. In a body they walked out into
the dreamland garden with its thous-
ands of palaces and made a casual survey
of the many wonderful things.

"They proceeded back to the building
in which the editorial association was
to convene. Arrived there the chair-
man promptly called the meeting to or-
der and announced that there would be
no further sessions until next fall, when
the association would hold a postponed
business meeting in Salt Lake City.

We could spend several days in
talk and perhaps these days would be
pleasant enough in their way," said the
chairman, "but here, right at our very
hand, is the most beautiful spectacle
ever conceived by man. To try to at-
tend to business under such circum-
stances would be little short of ridicu-
lous. We can talk any old time but we
cannot always have a World's Fair at
hand. The meeting is adjourned."

"The Utah editors then went out into
the grounds of the great Exposition. At
the time of writing they are said to be
having a high old time on The Pike.
They are thoroughly enjoying them-
selves and in future years will look
back to the present week as one of the
most pleasant in all their lives. Mean-
while the editors from many other
states are talking and talking and talk-
ing, irrespective of the fact that as the
Utah man said, you can talk 'any old
time,' but you cannot always have a
great World's Fair. The Utah editors
idea is so sensible that one feels like
saying in the words of the obituary
notice: 'Other papers please copy.'"

CLUB WOMEN'S WAR.

The national federation of women's
clubs are said to have adopted a resolu-
tion excluding "Mormons" from mem-
bership. It seems that the amendment
to the by-laws, having this effect, was
adopted without the ladies realizing the
purpose of it. The matter can be of but
little importance to the estimable ladies
who are members of the Church, for the
resolution in no way curtails their use-
fulness, the opportunities of doing good
being practically unlimited. But it cer-
tainly indicates the true nature of the
opposition to the Church. That opposi-
tion, ashamed of appearing before the
American public in all the hideousness
of religious persecution, has been mas-
querading as zeal for moral purity, just
as, in the beginning of our era, the cry
of "crucify Him!" was said to be
prompted by loyalty to Caesar. But once
in a while the masque is lifted, and
the true features are seen. It is the
Church itself that is objectionable, in
the opinion of these good American
women. No doubt a few of them regret
that they can go no further than to ex-
clude Church members from the clubs.
No doubt they regret that burning at the
stake is illegal. The spirit of persecu-
tion is the same, no matter in what way
it manifests itself. Many of them, how-
ever, sincerely believe that they are
doing humanity a service by taking an
active part in the warfare against a
people of which they know almost noth-
ing.

And Maude is as true as Maude is
sweet.

The world grows brighter as the sun
grows hotter.

When a battleship strikes a mine it
doesn't strike it rich.

The politician who lies low generally
lies on all sides of all questions.

Because he is a good liver Secretary
of War Taft has a bad liver.

Does anyone know whether Colonel
Younghusband is a bachelor or not?

Wisconsin's presidential candidate is
expected to stand like a stone wall.

It is rather odd that Liberty park
should be so popular when it is all free.

Notwithstanding every inducement,
Port Arthur persistently refuses to fall.

Tuesday was a red letter day for
Bishop Day and the Methodist confer-
ence.

Illinois' selection of a candidate for
the Vice Presidency shows that she is
hard hit.

There seem to be two Parkers in the
field. You pay your money and take
your choice.

The party with the least prospects of
success often has the greatest number
of candidates.

Peddlers and hucksters whose mea-
sures are short are about to get into a
pack of trouble.

It looks very much as though Russia
and Japan were getting ready to "mix
things" in dead earnest.

Mr. Bryan expects to go to the St.
Louis convention. If things don't go
his way, will he go it alone?

It will never be known positively
whether or not Port Arthur was bot-
tled up until this cruel war is over.

Whenever the Chief of Police refuses
to recommend the issuance of a saloon
license the people will say, "Amen!"

Professor Starr of the University of
Chicago, says that England is on her
last legs. They seem to be very good
legs.

So Admiral Jessen did blow up the
Bogatyr after all. Sauve qui peut,
seems to be the motto of the Russian
navy.

It is great temerity on the part of
the police authorities to arrest a
chauffeur for breaking the city ordi-
nances.

The Japanese acknowledge a naval
disaster more promptly and graciously
than the Russians do. And this is to
their credit.

Until after the Chicago convention
Mr. Roosevelt will shut himself up in
his Oyster Bay shell. Thereafter he
will no longer be dumb as an oyster.

General Funston may not have swum
the Bag-Bag in the face of a galling
fire, but the story that he did enabled
him to bag-bag a brigadier-generalship.

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

New York Press.

From now on Port Arthur will be a
burden to Russia, as Lord Salisbury

foretold. The enemy need not close
in on the town and starve it out. Once
the railroads are taken by the Japanese
they can go ahead with their opera-
tions against Newchwang, and then
Mukden, without care for what Port
Arthur does. For Port Arthur, cut off
by land and blockaded by sea, can give
no offense. Nor is it of such great value
to the Japanese as a base, the Rus-
sian navy having been ruined, that it is
worth the cost of taking by assault.

Louisville Courier-Journal.

Whatever the skill and fighting ca-
pacity of the Japanese commander and
his troops, he cannot advance far into
Manchuria without great losses. Every
step he takes westward will increase
the difficulty of supplying his army,
while at the same time he will expose
his right flank to the attack of the Rus-
sian cavalry, or a flanking force from
the direction of Mukden. To succeed in
such advance will not only imply great
skill and efficiency, both in his men
and his means of supplying his wants
from the Yalu base, but a much more
demoralized condition in Kuropatkin's
army than we are led to infer. For these
reasons it is not well to be too
sanguine that Japan will succeed in
meas all that the press reports would
indicate. Russia has been in the past
adept in the strategy of falling back
and tolling an opposing army to invade
her chosen ground, and if she succeeded
in beguiling Napoleon to venture upon
his Moscow campaign she may be at-
tempting a similar policy with Japan.

Springfield Republican.

The perils of submarine mines are
now being impressed upon the Japan-
ese. The loss of a torpedo boat and a
light cruiser by the unexpected explo-
sion of the infernal machines indicate no
serious injury to the Japanese navy,
but these recent incidents go to show
that the earlier disasters the Russians
suffered from the same cause were not
so much due to Russian ineptitude as
to the real perils inherent to the mines
themselves. Doubtless, they would
cause a certain number of accidents in
any navy having to deal with them in
war. As the Russian navy is wholly lack-
ing, and it may be that the cruiser was
not seriously damaged.

Fuefue Chieftain.

From the beginning it has been evi-
dent that Japan's greatest disad-
vantage in this war lay in the fact that
she could not inflict a dangerous blow up-
on Russia, and the occupation of Man-
churia or even of eastern Siberia would
leave the Russian empire practically
intact and sound. Nothing goes to con-
firm this view like the present course
of the Russians. In a contest of pa-
tience and endurance Russia is sure to
win, and the Russians are following
the line, however distasteful it may be
to the national pride, that will give
them the greatest benefit from their
peculiar advantages of character and
resource.

San Francisco Chronicle.

The condition of Vladivostok is giv-
ing the Russians considerable concern.
They are apparently ignorant of the
situation there. Some reports are being
circulated in St. Petersburg that it has
been invested by the Chinese as secure-
ly as Port Arthur. Vice Admiral
Sikordoff, who was appointed to suc-
ceed Makarov in the command of the
Port Arthur fleet, has decided, however,
to endeavor to reach the northern
stronghold, if possible, to inspect the
condition of the fleet penned in there by
Kamimura's squadron, as access to the
fortress at the southern end of the
Liaotung peninsula is now impossible.
He will then return to St. Petersburg
to resume command of the Baltic fleet.
The uncertainties which have thus en-
tered into all of the Russian naval and
military plans point conclusively to the
demoralizing effects of their Yalu river
defeat.

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