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A NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY.
Ninety-six years ago today Joseph Smith...

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but his was stern against evil, oppression and hypocrisy. He was gentle as a little child to the good and the true. He was like a lion roaring from the forest against the corrupt, the slandered and the trickster. His mind soared to the highest heavens yet he was eminently practical as to things on earth.

In eastern states, strange for this season of the year, blizzards and floods have done much damage. Human lives have been lost, a vast number of animals have perished, and much property has been destroyed.

The Latter-day Saints, therefore, do well to honor his name and reverse his way were but a small tribute to his worth, yet they will tell a story to the world which is worthy of attention, and will aid the work of carrying the Gospel to the ends of the earth and the gathering in of the elect of God.

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snowstorms were preceded by copious rains, which prepared the soil to retain the snow that fell later. Every sign indicates that the agriculturist will be well satisfied with the wealth that snow and frost together store up in the mountains.

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On the water the countries are normally pretty closely matched, but the Chileans have better organization and better maritime capacity. A victory of Chili over Argentina would mean a still further disturbance of the balance of power in South America in the interest of Chili. Boston Herald.

It is certainly satisfactory that Chile, which seems to have the better chance of winning in a war, even though Argentina may be supported, if a resort is had to arms, by some of its neighbors, should be willing to arbitrate rather than fight, and if Argentina is not equally conciliatory, it will look as though the government of that country considered that it had, through the possible assistance to be given by Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay, the best opportunity it was likely to have to pull down, and possibly industrially ruin, its exceedingly able neighbor and rival. Springfield Republican.

The United States government can do nothing as a mediator unless its good offices are requested by both governments. It is well known in Washington that any step indicating that this country presumes to exercise a suzerainty over South America, in affairs between two American states, would be bitterly resented. Neither Argentina nor Chili would recognize the right of the United States, as a tutelary or protecting power, to intervene in their quarrels. The Monroe doctrine, as a matter of fact, has never been pushed by American statesmen to such an extreme, and it could not be without denying to such countries as Argentina and Chile complete sovereignty under international law. The Washington government, however, is always at liberty to make it known that it would gladly tender its good offices were they desired, and intimations to that effect have already been sent to Buenos Ayres and Santiago. Chicago Record-Herald.

Nothing short of an international court of arbitration and an actual federation of nations could compel the independent states to apply for arbitration to settle their disputes. As the states which have reason to suspect a design on the part of the stronger ones to "benevolently assimilate" them will never assent to any such arrangement, it was inevitable that the dream of the late James G. Blaine was not to be realized this early in the twentieth century. New York Evening Post.

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for those with which the public has become familiar. The revisers were conscious of this, and so have other scholars been. It is pretty clear that the public will not accept a paraphrase instead of a translation. Argentina is all ready for war. Now let the parade go on.

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