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NOTICE.

The Seventieth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will convene in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, at ten a. m. on Friday, April 6th, 1900.

LORENZO SNOW, GEORGE Q. CANNON, JOSEPH F. SMITH, First Presidency.

HABITS OF CHILDREN.

The quarterly conference of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion closed on Sunday afternoon with a very large attendance in the Tabernacle, the galleries having to be opened to accommodate the throngs of people present.

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children aside and inquire into the ways of their school companions.

It is strange that so many of the excellent admonitions given by the leaders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are passed over without notice by its enemies.

"For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for iniquity are cut off; that make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought."

SHELDON'S NEWSPAPER.

The world will now obtain an idea of how the Master would run a newspaper, that is if Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon's judgment as to that is sound.

From what has been published about the reforms Mr. Sheldon deems necessary, it appears that one of the first is the prohibition of the use of tobacco in any form by the men employed in the office.

Mr. Sheldon reserves the right to pass upon every bit of copy intended for the paper. Advertisements will be closely scanned. There will be no patent medicine ads this week.

From all accounts it is evident that the Rev. gentleman has made a big hit. The circulation of the paper for the week will far exceed the capacity of the Capital office.

This is one of the significant facts in connection with this experiment. It proves that the general public is dimly conscious of the need of reform in a certain class of journalism.

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was shown in the war with Spain, and is now shown in South Africa. Let us have plenty of war material and plenty of men to care for it.

PUERTO RICO HUNGRY.

The situation in Puerto Rico is far from satisfactory. An appeal for food is made on behalf of the needy people, by Captain H. S. Bishop, of the Fifth cavalry.

The governor general, Mr. Davis, admits that workmen and their families, lacking money to live, are drifting into the towns demanding food.

During the present Puerto Rican discussion, this appeal from the island and the picture of the condition of its inhabitants are timely.

Evidently it is the immediate duty of this country first to relieve the sufferers, and then see to it that no law-making is allowed to erect a bar which the general prosperity of the United States in vain tries to cross.

SHEEP AND FOREST GROWTH

The discussion as to whether or not sheep injure the forest growth still goes on, though in this part of the country the view is being generally taken that no injury to forests results from allowing the woolgrowers to pasture therein.

In every part of the reserve are found areas destitute of timber which are called marks. These vary in extent from a few acres to thousands of acres. It is impossible to estimate with any accuracy their aggregate extent, but it is great.

Civil war may break out in Kentucky; but it will not be civilized.

It was a peaceful Sabbath in Kentucky yesterday; but the contending political factions were dangerously near war.

ARTILLERYMEN NEEDED.

Secretary Root's army reorganization scheme contemplated among other things to have certain promotions in the grade of colonel, lieutenant-colonel and major made by selection and as a reward for merit.

A seven-year-old boy in Chicago has shot his mother with a pistol his father gave him. The father who presented such a young child with a pistol and cartridges as playthings either must have little regard for the life of the child and his associates, or is dangerously near being non compos mentis.

Another fearful tenement house fire is reported today, this one at Newark, N. J. Fifteen persons are dead, mostly children. The fact that sixty persons were cooped up in a house of the character described is a disgrace to the officials who permitted such unsanitary and dangerous conditions to prevail undisturbed.

Mr. See, who died at New Rochelle, N. Y., on Saturday night, with two physicians, two Christian Scientists, a Roman Catholic priest, and a Methodist minister in attendance on him, evidently intended to make a sure thing of being billed through to the "other side" by one of the numerous competing routes doing business in that direction.

Gen. Buller reported that Natal was "free from Boers," and Gen. Roberts made a similar announcement of the vicinity of Driefontein.

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as to cause a suspicion that this latest effort is only another health board trying to find something to do to make a "name" for its members.

London papers are advising Lord Salisbury not to accept the United States Senate amendment of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Professor Edward J. Phelps, whose death occurred last Friday, March 9th, at New Haven, Conn., was one of the prominent public characters of this country.

Senator Blackburn of Kentucky is billed as one of the speakers at Thursday evening's meeting in New York. In favor of asking President McKinley to offer mediation between the British and the Boers.

Advices from the Hague, and also from Washington are to the effect that President Kruger is anxious for the powers to interfere in behalf of the African republics.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. Now the forces of the two republics are hurrying to defend their own territory. The Free State has been invaded in force by the main army under Roberts.

SPEAKING OF THE WAR.

What the next important move will be is problematical. Roberts' force has already been in contact with the Boer army that is assembling and there will evidently be some sharp fighting before he reaches Bloemfontein.

So much has been said about the destructive effect of the modern rifle, during the progress of the war in Cuba and the existing war in South Africa, that it is interesting to note that the Revue Militaire, a French army publication, takes the view that the destructiveness of the modern military rifle decides battles so quickly that it prevents heavy aggregate losses.

It should not escape notice that the list of Boer prisoners captured at Paardeberg includes, besides Gen. Cronje, several men who are most deeply interested in the Boer cause and have been strong factors in the defense of the republic.

In forecasting the future of the Transvaal under British administration it must be borne in mind that there are no insuperable difficulties in the way of the Dutch and the Briton getting along very comfortably together as British subjects.

Thus Lord Roberts is in a position to converge with two armies on Bloemfontein, one advancing along the Modder river and another from the north along its movement by the progress of the other (the southern) army pushing its way along the Bloemfontein railway.

Roberts may soon be confronted by an army as large as his own and bearing down upon him from the long Kimberley line of communications. No doubt it is the need of other railway lines running north that takes Gen. Kitchener to Arundel and is hastening the advance across the veld and thence by no means impossible that the Kimberley road, 600 miles long, may be cut somewhere and again be the theater of the shifting scenes of battle.

Spokane Spokesman Review. In the successful operations of the British in South Africa secrecy has been the most potent factor. The arrival of the flying column of General French at Kimberley was a surprise in England

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as well as in the larger of Cronje. The march of Lord Roberts' army to the Modder river was unexpected and its achievements were due to the befuddling of the Boer bureau of information.

The British war office continues to pour troops into South Africa at the rate of 1,000 men a day—although it has over 200,000 there already. It evidently intends to smother Boers and at the same time present to Europe an object lesson on the equipment and transportation of a vast volunteer army.

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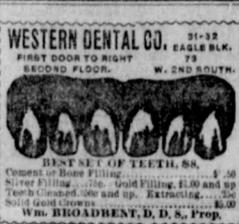
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